

DELTA PILOT.



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Available online at <http://www.beverlylakepark.com/events.html>



Celebrating the Season



Just think of it.... An evening stroll or a wagon ride amidst trees and buildings that are all magically lit with holiday lights. If this interests you, then Lower Beverley Lake Park is the place for you this holiday season!

Launching on November 19th, Delta Park will be open for tours on five consecutive Saturday nights. More than 85,000 Christmas lights will adorn the trees and buildings throughout the park and will highlight various displays, a candy cane lane, a gingerbread house, a nativity scene, Santa's workshop and a miniature display of Delta's heritage buildings. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will be on hand to receive those special wish lists, pose for photographs and give out holiday treats.

Wagon rides to the park will only be available from the Delta Fair Grounds on ½ hour intervals starting at 5:00 p.m. Patrons may still walk through the park by entering at the Boat Launch gate.



ADMISSION RATES
(Inclusive of HST)
ADULTS: \$5.00
(13 years of age and older)
YOUTH: Free
(12 years of age and under)



Date	Meals served at the United Church Hall starting at 4:00 p.m.	Price
November 19 th	Chili, garlic bread, Caesar salad, dessert and beverage	\$11.00 p.p.
November 26 th	Spaghetti, garlic bread, Caesar salad, dessert and beverage	\$11.00 p.p.
December 03 rd	Shepherd's Pie, garden salad, roll, dessert and beverage	\$11.00 p.p.
December 10 th	Chicken Stew with biscuits, garden salad, dessert and beverage	\$11.00 p.p.
December 17 th	Turkey Dinner	\$17.00 p.p.

Reservations, required for dinners held on December 10th and 17th, can be made by contacting Pat at 613-928-2712 or via email to harymary@ripnet.com before the Monday prior to each dinner.

Take outs will be available each evening.

Tours of the Old Stone Mill will be available each night between 5:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.



Public Washrooms will be available at the Old Town Hall.



TERRY FOX WALK



Congratulations to all of the participants of the annual Terry Fox Walk in support of cancer research.

Held on September 18th, a total of \$2910 was raised at this year's event with \$1300 coming from camper donations within Lower Beverley Lake Park.

Thank you one and all!

OLD BASTARDS' VINTAGE MOTORCYCLE RALLY

The 15th Annual Vintage Riders' Rally was held at Lower Beverley Lake Park during the weekend of September 9th. The record-breaking weekend was dedicated to vintage motorcycles, riders, and the enjoyment of the roads along the Frontenac Axis.



After setting up on Friday night, participants enjoyed an evening of Karaoke followed by a road run, field games, a chicken barbeque and an evening dance on Saturday night. The weekend concluded on Sunday following a morning road run, judging of the 'Concours' and an awards presentation.

Following the rally, Director Ernie Olivo presented a \$1,000 donation to Cathy Livingston, Chairperson of the Lower Beverley Lake Park Management Board while Park Manager William Morris looked on. The donation will be used to support this year's Celebrating the Season Christmas light program.



SEASONAL CAMPERS DONATE \$7,000

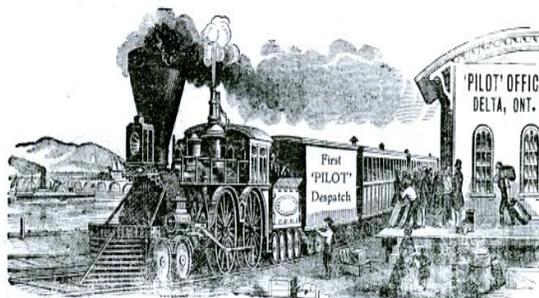
The Seasonal Campers' Recreation Committee at Lower Beverley Lake Park recently donated \$7,000 to the park to cover all expenses associated with the children's programs and activities offered at the park this summer. Funds were raised through bingos, raffles and various catering projects.

Photo (l-r): Al Moorhouse - Campers' Liaison, Recreation Committee Treasurer Joyce Morley and Park Manager William Morris.

THANK YOU for YOUR SUPPORT

First issued on February 28th, 2011, this version of the *Delta Pilot* has been promoting the activities of Delta's not-for-profit and charitable organizations for the past six years. While all of the expenses incurred with producing and distributing the Pilot were initially covered by the Lower Beverley Lake Park Management Board, an invitation was extended this year to all of the organizations in Delta to join with the Park Board to ensure the longevity of the Pilot.

TOOT! TOOT! TOOT!



Thanks to the combined generosity of the following individuals and organizations, the residents of Delta and area have been able to receive the Delta Pilot on a regular basis.

Betty Penstone, 2016 Delta Citizen of the Year

Delta Agricultural Society

Delta Baptist Church

Delta Mill Society

Delta United Church

Lower Beverley Lake Association

Lower Beverley Lake Park Management Board

Rideau Lakes Public Library

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #207 and Auxiliary

Township of Rideau Lakes

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DELTA UNITED CHURCH CALENDAR

November 2nd: Deltones Community Choir Rehearsal

Practice will be held at the Delta United Church starting at 7:00 p.m.

November 6th: Service of Remembrance

Legion members will attend the worship service followed by an 11:00 a.m. cenotaph memorial.

Nov 16th: Meeting of the United Church Women

Meeting and pot luck luncheon will be held in the church hall starting at 11:00 a.m.

November 26th: Delta Country Christmas Pageant

Starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Baptist Church, participants will follow the Christmas nativity story in song, words and pageantry to the United Church before ending at the Mill Drive Shed.

December 8th: Shared with the Baptist congregation, a **Blue Service** will be held at the Delta United Church starting at 7:00 p.m.

December 19th & 20th: **Christmas Food Hampers** will be packed and delivered. For more information, contact Jana Curtis at 613-928-2217.

December 24th: **Christmas Eve Service** at 7:30 p.m. There is no Christmas Day Service.

"Instilling a Passion for Our Heritage"

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CHRISTMAS AT THE MILL

Lit up with festive candles as part of *Celebrating the Season*, the Old Stone Mill will be open between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Admission to the mill is free but donations are appreciated. Visit the [Celebrating the Season brochure](#) for additional information.

CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOP

Located in the Old Town Hall, the Gift Shop will be open each Saturday night of *Celebrating the Season* between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. The Delta Mill Society is looking for donations of any new or good as new items to the gift shop. Items can be delivered to the Old Town Hall starting the first week of November.

DELTA COUNTRY CHRISTMAS

Starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Baptist Church on November 26th, participants will follow the Christmas nativity story in song, words and pageantry to the United Church before ending at the Mill Drive Shed.

Choristers interested in joining the Deltones Community Choir may contact Cathy Livingston at 613-928-2796 or via email to cathy.livingston@sympatico.ca

KID'S GINGERBREAD CRAFT FAIR



Hosted by the Delta Mill Society on December 3rd between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., children accompanied by their parents are welcome to have fun decorating gingerbread cookies at the Old Town Hall. Cookie supplies will be provided at no charge. As the children enjoy an afternoon of decorating cookies, parents can enjoy a hot drink of cider or coffee while listening to Christmas music and shopping in the gift shop. Hotdogs and soft drinks will also be available for \$2.00

CAROLING AT THE MILL

Choristers interested in participating in an evening of singing carols at the Old Stone Mill on December 3rd between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., please contact Cathy Livingston.



DELTA COUNTRY CHRISTMAS

On Saturday, November 26th, the community of Delta will be hosting the 22nd annual “Delta Country Christmas” event featuring the Deltones Community Choir.



The event will start at the Baptist Church at 6:30 p.m. with a short walk to the United Church before proceeding onto the Mill Drive Shed. There will be choir anthems and carol singing amidst the Christmas story narrative with children dressed in biblical costumes representing the key people in the Christmas story.

The choir is being directed by Lynne Gardiner and accompanied by Jean Yves Dupperon.

BEAUTIFICATION NEWS

Stevens Park
Named in honour of our first settler Elder Abel Stevens Sr.

Abel Stevens was born at Quaker Hill, New York, November 11, 1755. Later moving with his parents to Pittsford, Vermont to receive his education he served as a British agent during the Revolutionary War despite being enrolled in the rebel militia. While living in Vermont after the war, he became a deacon of the Baptist Church in 1796. Attracted by Lieutenant Governor Simcoe's 1793 offer of land in Upper Canada, Stevens first scouted the area around Delta where he identified the fall of water between the two Upper Beverley Lakes and Lower Beverley Lake. In December of that year, he petitioned the Augusta Land Board for land in this location. Returning in February of 1794 with six families who were mostly his own, he squatted on the land. He brought mill irons with him and eventually built a wooden sawmill. In 1796 he was granted 800 acres of land allowing the settlement of Stevens Town (Delta) to be established where many of his descendants still live today. In 1826, Abel Stevens died at home and was buried in an unmarked grave in the Deacon Cemetery. During his lifetime, Elder Abel Stevens Sr. played an integral role in the development of the former Hastings Township and the community of Delta.

Iron Foundry
Philo Hrook (1808-1894) was another prominent Delta resident. Along with being a pillar of the Methodist Church and one of the leaders of the Temperance movement, he was also a member of the first Township Council of 1823, where he was born from 1813-1872. The iron industry started with Elder Abel Stevens who saw the possibility of an iron smelter using iron ore that was found on the shores of Lower Beverley Lake. In 1822 Abel Stevens, Jr. and Nathan Soper constructed a foundry behind the former Beverley Elementary School property. A dam was erected on Foundry Creek near Philipville to supply water power necessary to operate the machinery. In 1839, Soper sold his interests to the Trustees of the Farmers' Foundry Company. After Hrook purchased the Iron Foundry in 1843, it grew ten fold by 1861 and included more complex machinery such as a steam engine to supplement the water power. The only thing remaining of the Foundry today are some ruins, however their legacy lives on in the names of "Foundry Street" and "Iron Lane" along with the Heritage House of Philo Hrook.

Beverley Elementary Public School
Opened in the fall of 1961, Beverley Elementary School was constructed at 7 Foundry Street by the Hastings and South Dufferin Township School Board to consolidate the small one and two room schools in the area which included, but not limited to Chantry, Daytown, Delta and Philipville. Throughout its 40-year history, thousands of "Beverley Bobcats" were educated at this school. Sadly the school was closed in 2011 and was later demolished because of environmental issues. Ironically the 1888 and 1889 two-room school house which was built on William Street still stands at the time.
A group of former students who posed at Beverley Elementary in the fall of 1961 photographed at the site back school.

September 2016

Thanks to an ongoing partnership between the Lower Beverley Lake Park Management Board, the Delta Beautification Committee and the Township of Rideau Lakes Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, a heritage plaque will soon be installed in Stevens Park.

This plaque, which showcases Elder Abel Stevens, Delta's Iron Foundry and Beverley Elementary School, will be the eighth in a series of heritage displays in which photos and anecdotes of Delta's history are featured.

This heritage plaque may be viewed online at www.beverlylakepark.com/plaques/08-legacy-plaque8.htm

PLANNING BEGINS FOR 2017 DELTA FAIR

While this year's Delta Fair concluded just four months ago, the Delta Agricultural Society is already making plans for the 187th Anniversary edition.

A Board of 25 Directors, 26 Associate Directors and 7 Junior Directors were recently elected at the Annual General Meeting. Committees are responsible for organizing next year's fair which will be held from July 27th to the 30th.

Officers for the upcoming term include Art Cowan as President, Melinda Held-Cowan as First Vice-President, Sherron White as Second Vice-President, Tracy Perrin as Treasurer, William Morris as Secretary and Yvonne Landon as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.



MONDAY MORNING COFFEE

Be sure to stop by the United Church Hall for some coffee, donuts and fellowship. This activity is offered every Monday morning as part of the Church's Outreach Program between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. There is no charge but a free will donation is welcomed.

Photo: Your hostess, Barb MacLean



THE DELTA BRANCH OF THE RIDEAU LAKES PUBLIC LIBRARY



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Phone: 613-928-2991

A big **Thank You** to firefighter Patty from the Rideau Lakes Fire Department for coming out to our story time in October and for showing us her gear, telling us all about her job and for reading a great story!

The **Rideau Lakes Local History Centre** remains open most Thursday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. or by contacting Sue via email to rideaulakeshistory@gmail.com for an appointment.



Feel free to contact Ashley via email to ashleyrideaulakes@gmail.com for ongoing **tech support**. One-to-one tech help sessions are available for patrons of the library.

A vote of thanks is also extended to staff from the Township of Rideau Lakes for their excellent work in installing a shiny new roof!

As the weather cools, keep the library in mind and stop by for a cup of coffee, tea, or hot cocoa for only \$1.

Delta Branch Hours

Tuesday 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Thursday 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



Rideau Lakes
PUBLIC LIBRARY

**MUNICIPAL NEWS from
Councillor Cathy Livingston**

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Telephone: 613-928-2796



Hi Everyone;

Well, it is that time of year again when we will soon be getting ready for the Christmas season in Delta. Following Remembrance Day, we will start to decorate the village light poles, trees and flower boxes for Christmas.

Be sure you take a wagon ride through Lower Beverley Lake Park to see the lights, sights and sounds of Celebrating the Season 2016. You can catch the wagon at the Delta Fair Grounds or you can walk through the Park. There will be a small admission fee of \$5 for adults this year while children 12 & under remain free. If you would like to volunteer at the Park, the Mill, Old Town Hall or the United Church, please contact me.

A public open house will soon be held to share the results of the Ward Structure Review process. Once a date and time have been established, the information will be posted to the township's website, on its Facebook page and in local newspapers.

Not-for Profit and Charitable Organizations that serve the community of Rideau Lakes are invited to apply for consideration of "Community Grants" as part of the 2017 budget process. Applications must be made using the Township's form which is available online as well as in hardcopy during regular office hours at the Municipal Office in Chantry. Consideration will only be given to completed applications which are submitted to the Clerk prior to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday November 8th, 2016. Applicants wishing to make a presentation to Council on November 17th in support of their request may do so by contacting the Clerk's Office.

A celebration was held on September 26th to commemorate the installation of the new LED lights that were installed at the Recreation Centre through the generosity of the *Daryl K. Seaman Canadian Hockey Fund – Calgary Foundation – For Community, Forever*. The celebration also included the arrival of new tennis, basketball and pickle ball equipment. Through the efforts of many volunteers and municipal staff, our community boasts a great recreation centre with a variety of recreational activities including ice hockey, ball hockey, tennis, basketball and a new sport called pickle ball. If you would like additional information or are interested in volunteering, please contact Pat Phillips at 613-928-2712 or via email to harymary@ripnet.com



"Welcome Packages" are now available from reception staff at the Township of Rideau Lakes Municipal Office, 1439 County Road 8 in the hamlet of Chantry. Filled with information promoting local attractions, businesses, events and much, much more, the package is available for the asking. If you can't find the information you are looking for, contact Susan Dunfield for assistance at 613-928-2251 or via email to susan@twprideaulakes.on.ca

Council will begin their 2017 budget deliberations on Monday, November 21st.

I wish each and every one a very Merry Christmas and all the best in the New Year!



**RETURN TO STANDARD TIME
NOVEMBER 6TH**

Submission Deadline for the January / February Edition Is December 16th, 2016

Beverley Senior Citizens' Club #460

- Regular meeting with Pot-Luck luncheon on November 23rd at noon in the United Church Hall.
- Christmas meeting with catered meal on December 13th at noon in the United Church Hall.

Delta Agricultural Society

- Regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m. in the Fair Office.

Delta Baptist Church

- Christmas Eve Service on December 24th at 6:00 p.m.
- Christmas Day Service on December 25th at 9:30 a.m.

Delta Food Bank

- Open on the second and fourth Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the United Church Hall. Call Sharon at 613-928-2885 for information.
- Build a Mountain of Food collection from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on December 17th at the Delta Country Market

Delta Mill Society

- See Page 4 for a complete listing of events.

Delta United Church

- See Page 3 for a complete listing of events.

Good Food Box

- The Good Food Box offers fresh fruits and vegetables at wholesale prices for all community members. Payment is required on the 7th of the month and delivery is on the 3rd Tuesday. Call Claire at 613-928-2761 for information.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #207 and Auxiliary

- Remembrance Day Services on November 6th starting with a 9:15 a.m. worship service at the United Church followed by a cenotaph memorial at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome!
- Dance to the music of DJ Jeff Vincent from 8:00 p.m. to midnight on November 19th \$5.00 per person. Door Prizes, raffles and a good time available for all! For more information, contact Jean Daye at 613-246-6461.
- Euchre tournaments are held every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments after the 5th game.



SUNDAY SERVICES	
Baptist Church	9:30 a.m.
Last Sunday of the month is Children's Sunday	

United Church & Sunday School	9:15 a.m.



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