

DELTA PILOT.



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Happy Valentine's Day



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RECORD ATTENDANCE of 9,000 at CELEBRATING THE SEASON



The Lower Beverley Lake Park Management Board would like to take this opportunity to express their heartfelt gratitude to all of the community volunteers and park staff who offered their time and efforts during last month's *Celebrating the Season* festival.

Whether it was the evening meals at the church, the tours of the Old Stone Mill, the wagon rides from the Fair Grounds to the Park for viewing of the spectacular array of lights and displays or the festive atmosphere at Santa's Workshop, "*Celebrating the Season 2015*" was a true success in every sense!

Boasting the largest crowds in the eleven-year history of the festival, *Celebrating the Season* is truly a reflection of the ever-increasing dedication and enthusiasm displayed by the Delta community. Special recognition and appreciation are extended to the following businesses, organizations and their members who partnered with the Park Management Board to present the festival: the Delta Agricultural Society, the Delta Beautification Committee, the Delta Fire Hall Museum Committee, the Delta Mill Society, the Royal Canadian Legion Auxiliary, the Delta United Church, the Township of Rideau Lakes and Willard's Bakery Products.

Not only does the "*Celebrating the Season*" festival serve as a catalyst to start off the Christmas celebrations for many residents, it also assists with the promotion of Lower Beverley Lake Park and the Village of Delta as a year round travel destination.

DELTA COUNTRY CHRISTMAS ANOTHER GREAT SUCCESS

Under the direction of Ginny Okum and with the musical accompaniment of Madelyn Piehl-Mensen, the 21st annual Delta Country Christmas was held on November 28th.

The event started at the Baptist Church at 6:30 p.m. with a short walk to the Mill Shed before returning to the United Church. There were choir anthems and carol singing amidst the Christmas story narrative and the children were dressed in biblical costumes as they represented the key people in the Christmas story.



Photo: The Deltones Community Choir

DELTA ATHLETIC & RECREATIONAL SOCIETY

The Board of Directors and Volunteers would like to wish the residents of the Delta Community a healthy and active 2016!



PROJECT UPDATE

Major changes occurred in 2015 with the grand opening of the new concrete rink surface, the construction of a new storage shed, the installation of new metal roofing on the Recreation Centre and the relocation of the water system inside the Centre. As soon as weather permits, lines will be painted on the rink surface for a tennis court and new basketball nets will be installed.



Photo: Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on September 19th



Photo: New Storage Building

The Delta Athletic and Recreation Society is very proud of the newly constructed storage facility which was designed and built by Treasurer Brian Wheaton and a crew of dedicated volunteers. Special thanks are extended to the local residents, businesses, and members of the community who generously donated money and materials towards this project. A vote of thanks is also extended to the staff of Rideau Lakes Township for installing the new roof on the Recreation Centre and for relocating the water system.

WINTERFEST 2016

Be sure to mark your calendars so that you can attend the 6th Annual Winterfest on Saturday February 13th. Starting at 11:00 a.m., there will be activities for people of all ages throughout the day until 6:00 p.m. Additional information will be available on the Society's Facebook page or through email to dars.delta@gmail.com.



REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP



During the past month, many Syrian refugees have been arriving in Canada. People interested in becoming involved in welcoming and helping these families as they create their home in a new country are invited to attend an information session on Monday, January 11th at 10:30 a.m. at the Delta Baptist Church.

DELTA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY CONDUCTS ANNUAL MEETING

While this year's fair concluded just four months ago, the Delta Agricultural Society has begun making plans for the 186th Anniversary edition.



A Board of 25 Directors, 25 Associate Directors and 7 Junior Directors were recently elected at the Annual General Meeting. Committees are responsible for organizing this year's fair which will be held from Thursday, July 21st to Sunday, July 24th.

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.

People wishing to volunteer at the fair or willing to assist with the planning of a specific event at the fair may contact the Fair Office at 613-928-2800 or via email to deltafair@ripnet.com

PLANNING BEGINS for the DELTA MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL

As soon as the sap starts to run, the community of Delta begins preparing for the Delta Maple Syrup Festival. This year's event promises to offer entertainment, refreshments, activities and of course, maple syrup and pancakes to the thousands of people who opt to visit the Village of Delta during the weekend of April 16th and 17th.

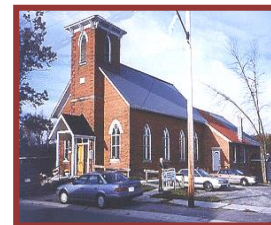


In preparation for the 49th Anniversary Edition, a special planning meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 17th at the United Church Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend and share suggestions and plans for this year's event.

Contact Melinda Held-Cowan at 613-924-1849 or via email to melindaart@hotmail.com for additional information.

HYMN SING / DESSERT PARTY

Share in a delightful evening together at the Delta Baptist Church singing, learning about missions, and enjoying your favourite desserts at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 7th. Bring along a dessert and a friend; Everyone Welcome!



BUILD A MOUNTAIN OF FOOD



Build a Mountain of Food has so many dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly to support area Food Banks. Thanks to the generosity of the Delta Community, \$1800 and 845 lbs. of food were collected on December 12th at the Delta Country Market on behalf of the Delta Food Bank.



Submission Deadline for the March / April Edition is February 13th, 2016

Beverley Senior Citizens' Club #460

- Regular meeting with Pot-Luck luncheon on January 27th at noon in the United Church Hall.
- Regular meeting with Pot-Luck luncheon on February 24th at noon in the United Church Hall.

Delta Agricultural Society

- Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the United Church Hall.
- Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the United Church Hall.

Delta Athletic and Recreation Society

- Winterfest Carnival on February 13th from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Rec Centre.

Delta Baptist Church

- Syrian refugee information session on January 11th at 10:30 a.m. in the Baptist Church Hall.
- Hymn Sing and Dessert Party on February 7th at 6:00 p.m. at the Baptist Church.

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.

Delta Maple Syrup Festival

- Planning meeting on Sunday, January 17th at 1:00 p.m. in the United Church Hall.

Delta United Church

- Annual Meeting on February 7th at 1:00 p.m. in the Church Hall.
- UCW Meeting on third Wednesday of each month at 11:00 a.m. in the Church Hall.
- Choir Practice is held every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. New members welcome!

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

- Legion meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the United Church Hall.
- Auxiliary meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the United Church Hall.
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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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