

DELTA PILOT.



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

DELTA REFUGEE ASSISTANCE GROUP



A group of concerned citizens met at the Delta Baptist Church in January to share information and discuss how they could support refugee resettlement. Knowing that efforts were underway in the Brockville area to resettle at least ten refugee families, two members of the Delta group attended an informative presentation in Brockville with a representative of the United Nations High Commission on Refugees.

The Delta group met again in February and decided to call themselves the Delta Refugee Assistance Group. Interested citizens may still join the group which is comprised of Delta area residents along with the ministers from both the Delta Baptist and United Churches.

Working closely with the Brockville and Area Refugee Committee, the goal of the Delta group is to assist in welcoming refugees to our area and help them to settle into life in Canada. Efforts will be undertaken in our community and in local schools to increase the awareness of refugee needs. Fundraising efforts will also be undertaken to assist with the sponsorship of refugee families. People will be encouraged to volunteer their time and talents with the new arrivals.

New members are welcome to attend the next meeting of the Delta Refugee Assistance Group which will be held at the Okum residence, 60 King Street, Delta at 10:00 a.m. on March 2nd. For additional information about the group, contact Brian Wheaton via email to deltabaptist@gmail.com or follow the postings on the Delta Matters facebook page.

To learn more about the Brockville and Area Refugee Committee and refugee resettlement in the area, visit <http://www.refugeesforbrockville.com>.

Open Hearts ~ Open Arms ~ Giving ~ Receiving ~ Within a Caring Community

MUSIC at its BEST

If you enjoy the sounds of traditional country music, you will revel in the harmony of 'Matt Hayes and his Ole Friends' on March 13th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Delta United Church. Performing along with Matt on his steel guitar will be Sonny Marchand and John Jodoin- rhythm guitar and vocals, Steve Curtis-lead guitar and vocals, Ray Adams-fiddle and vocals, Charlie Stone-bass guitar and vocals and Aletha Deremo-guitar and vocals.

Following the concert, an evening meal of shepherd's pie, salad, dinner roll, dessert and beverage will be served.

Tickets for the concert and meal can be purchased from Pat Phillips by calling 613-928-2712 or via email to harymary@ripnet.com. Tickets are \$20 per person.



HISTORY OF THE DELTA MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL

Delta was the first Maple Syrup Festival in the area. During the event planning stages for Canada's Centennial, a small group of dedicated volunteers met regularly in the Council Chambers at the Old Town Hall. As President of the group, Harold Russell worked tirelessly as he contacted every farmer, arranged sugar shack visits and tours, promoted sugaring off demonstrations, and jack wax parties.

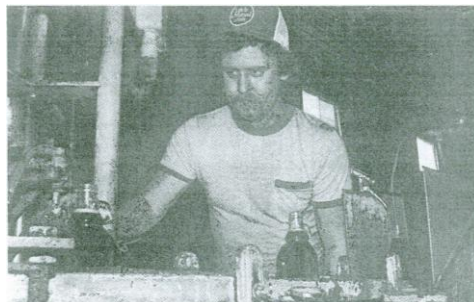
Other members of the community who were involved heavily were Arch Ostrom, Sally Halladay, Ron Morris, Lloyd Sawyer, Howard Jones, Sid Talbot, Glenn and Irma Chant. There was very little advertising required but huge crowds came from far and near.

In the beginning, the Festival was a three day event which included busloads of students who visited Delta on school trips to enjoy pancakes and syrup which were served on both floors of the Old Town Hall. Visitors were able to tour the local sugar bushes and to watch maple syrup being bottled and maple candy being made in the Confederated Foods Syrup Plant.

Over the years, the Festival continued through the efforts of many local residents and Service Clubs until it recently became a project for the Directors of the Delta Agricultural Society.



Mary Raison Cooking Pancakes, 1979
Ken Pratt Bottling Syrup during Plant Tours, 1983



Percy Kirby / Sally Halladay Cooking Pancakes, 1988



Arch Ostrom tapping trees, 1971



Ralph Furzer and Ron Morris selling tickets on maple goods for the Fire Department, 1977

DID YOU KNOW?????



At the 2015 festival, 1800 people consumed a total of 143 kg / 315 lbs. of sausages, 220 kg / 485 lbs. of pancake mix, 90 litres of orange juice, 2 cases of coffee and 400 lbs. / 140 litres of maple syrup. MMMM.....MMMM....Good!

THE DELTA MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL

49th ANNIVERSARY EDITION



Saturday, April 16th and Sunday, April 17th



Delta Fair Grounds, 110 Mill Creek Drive, Delta, Ontario K0E 1G0

“ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES FLOODED WITH FRESH, LOCAL MAPLE SYRUP”

First Order of Pancakes Served With Sausage



Saturday-9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Sunday-9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

11 Years of Age and Over: \$10.00
Children Under 11 Years: \$5.00
HST now included



MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES

April 16th Only

Milling Demonstration at 1:00 p.m. (Mill)
Blacksmithing Demonstration (Mill Drive Shed)
Ball Hockey Tournament at 10 a.m. (Rec Centre)
Contact Scott Halladay to register shhalladay@sympatico.ca
Face Painting (Fair Grounds)
Children's Entertainment (Fair Grounds)

April 16th and 17th

Craft Sale - Fair Hall (2nd Floor)
On-grounds music by the Rock Wizard
Book Sale (Old Town Hall)
Tours of the Old Fire Hall Museum
Tours of the Old Stone Mill
Wagon Rides through the Park (weather permitting)



On the way to the Fair Grounds, stop at 117 Mill Creek Drive and pick up some Willard's donuts, cookies and even butter tarts!

Local Maple Syrup vendors will have their produce on sale at the Fair Grounds.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR PARTNER PRODUCERS !

WE NEED YOUR HELP!



Volunteers are needed to help with serving pancakes and table clean up.

If you are able to assist at this year's festival, please contact the following:

Heather Halladay 613-928-2949

Vender spaces are still available for outdoor locations and indoor craft sale tables.

If you are interested in reserving space, please contact the following:

Marlaine Hart 613-924-2407

Vender reservation forms can be downloaded from the website: www.deltfair.com

THE DELTA BRANCH OF THE RIDEAU LAKES PUBLIC LIBRARY



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Your local library has a fantastic selection of great reads, popular DVD movies and TV series, talking books and an expanding online collection of eBooks, eAudiobooks, movies, and music.

There's more than one way to read a book; talk to the staff if you experience physical, learning or visual challenges reading print: Audio, Daisy reader, braille, accessible eBooks are available.

Need some help with your computer or tablet? Sign up for a tech workshop or contact Branch staff or email Vicki, vstevenson@rideaulakeslibrary.ca, to book a one-on-one tech help session.

Vicki, who runs community programs, will be at the Diner's Club, March 11th at the Delta Baptist Church with books to browse and would love to meet you to chat about your favourite reads.



Be sure to pick up some bargains during the two day, gigantic book sale at the Delta Maple Syrup Festival April 16 & 17 in the Old Town Hall. All sales of gently used paperbacks, DVDs/ CDs, hardcovers and children's books are by donation so come early for the best selection.

Drop by the cozy branch and enjoy an affordable \$1 hot drink: coffee, tea or hot cocoa is available. Free Wi-Fi is available in the branch or from the parking lot.



Rideau Lakes
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Delta Branch Hours

Tuesday 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 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.



It is that time of year again when the volunteers of the Delta Mill Society begin making plans for another busy season at the Old Stone Mill and the Old Town Hall. The Events Committee has been working hard planning new different events for the enjoyment of all.

In early March, student employment opportunities to staff the Old Stone Mill will be posted with positions being available from the long weekend in May to Labour Day weekend in September.

The Old Stone Mill will once again be open during the Maple Syrup Festival for tours from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Milling and blacksmithing demonstrations will take place on Saturday at 1:00 p.m. A book sale and lite refreshments will be available in the Old Town Hall on both days of the Festival. For additional information, visit the website at www.deltamill.org. People wishing to volunteer at an event may contact Cathy Livingston at cathy.livingston@sympatico.ca or info@deltamill.org.

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 for the coffee and donuts but a free will donation is welcomed.

The "Lost and Found" Events
Saving Rideau Lakes Heritage



The Delta Mill Society, in collaboration with the Chaffey's Lock and Area Heritage Society and the Rideau Lakes Libraries, is working to create a lasting digital record of the valuable documents and photographs important to our area's history. You can help! Search your attics, filing cabinets and dresser drawers and bring your papers and photographs to these events for scanning and recording.

Elgin Community Hall, 47 Main St., Elgin
Sunday, February 21, 2016 from noon until 3pm
&
Old Town Hall, 8 Lower Beverley Lk. Park Rd., Delta
Sunday, March 20, 2016 from noon until 3pm
For more information call The Delta Mill Society (613) 928-2584



Spring Forward
On
March 13th

CARRIAGES

Before buying, it will pay you to examine my stock of

Buggies, Lumber Wagons, Spring Wagons, Micadoes, Etc.,

A large stock on hand.
Workmanship and Material the best.
Repairing done in all branches.
Prices right.

ALEX. STEVENS,
DELTA, ONT.

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NOTARY PUBLIC FOR MERCHANT'S Bank of Canada, Conveyancer, etc.

A BLAST FROM THE PAST
DELTA PILOT
APRIL 1905

☀ ☀ ☀ ☀

You are cordially invited to our Display Millinery Opening to be held on Saturday, April 8th, 1905.

MRS. OMER BROWN.

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FURNITURE

Clearing sale of Pictures
AT
Morton's Furniture Store,
DELTA, ONT.

Great bargains in all lines for April.

UNDERTAKING



Submission Deadline for the May / June Edition is April 15th, 2016

Beverley Senior Citizens' Club #460

- Regular meeting with Pot-Luck luncheon on March 23rd at noon in the United Church Hall.
- Regular meeting with Pot-Luck luncheon on April 27th at noon in the United Church Hall.

Delta Agricultural Society

- Regular Meeting on March 23rd at 7:00 p.m. in the United Church Hall.
- Regular Meeting on April 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the United Church Hall.

Delta Baptist Church

- Refugee Assistance Group meeting on March 2nd at 10:00 a.m. at 60 King Street, Delta.
- Good Friday Combined Service on March 25th at 10:00 a.m. at the United Church.
- Easter Sunday Service on March 27th 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.

Delta Maple Syrup Festival

- 49th Anniversary Edition on April 16th and 17th at the Delta Fair Grounds (See Page 3 for details).

Delta Mill Society

- "Lost and Found" Events on March 20th from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. at the Old Town Hall.

Delta United Church

- Matt Hayes & Ole Friends Concert on March 13th from 2:00-4:00 p.m. / meal to follow.
- UCW Meeting on March 16th at 11:00 a.m. at Carveth Care Centre in Gananoque.
- Good Friday Service on March 25th at 10:00 a.m. at the United Church.
- Easter Sunday on March 27th with pot-luck breakfast at 8:00 a.m. / service at 9:30 a.m.
- UCW Meeting on April 20th at 11:00 a.m. in the Church Hall.

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.
- Euchre party is held every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the United Church Hall.



SUNDAY SERVICES	
Baptist Church	9:30 a.m.
Last Sunday of the month is Children's Sunday	
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United Church & Sunday School	9:15 a.m.



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