CITIZEN OF THE YEAR ANNOUNCED AT DELTA FAIR

Our Village is full of people worth celebrating! They are our neighbours, people who care about others, adults who give more than they take for the betterment of the community. These caring leaders are found throughout the Delta area and they set an example for others to follow. Their contributions, as informal volunteers, make life brighter for us all.

This year’s recipient donates approximately 20 hours of volunteer time a week to various organizations in the community. Blessed with a cheerful attitude, a willingness to support others and a true sense of commitment, Sharon Okum has recruited volunteers, sought out numerous resources and worked well with other team members in planning events.

As a volunteer at the Delta Baptist Church, Sharon can be found playing the piano during Sunday morning worship services. She is always willing to try new music and she works with others to provide great accompaniment for Sunday worship. In addition to coordinating the church’s Vacation Bible School for the area children, Sharon leads a group of volunteers on behalf of the Community Primary Health Centre each month to prepare a luncheon for the area Diner’s Club.

But Sharon’s contributions are not just limited to the Baptist congregation. For the past 3 years, Sharon has been the Treasurer for the Delta Mill Society where she can be found managing staff payrolls and schedules, controlling monies received from donations and sales at the gift shop, preparing financial reports and always seeking out ways to improve the existing programs.

Sharon and her husband are both strong supporters of heritage projects and as such, they opened their fully restored ‘William Bell’ house during the local Doors Open program. Dressed in period costume, Sharon gave tours of their home throughout the weekend program.

Sharon has volunteered her time working with the Delta Refugee Assistance Committee that raised money to sponsor Syrian refugees who came to the Brockville area.

In her spare time, Sharon can be found driving residents to and from appointments and visiting with people in need and in long term care facilities.

Photo (l-r)
2018 Recipient Sharon Okum,
Vivian Morris, 2003 Citizen of the Year and Program Convener,
and Rideau Lakes Mayor Ronald Holman.
2018 Delta Fair Results

Class A1 - Antique Tractor Pull
3700-4700 lb.: Rick Sager, Napanee
4701-5700 lb.: Don Patterson, Forfar
5701-6700 lb.: Travis Pattmore, Athens
6701-7700 lb.: Andy Vangrunsuen, Odessa
7701-8700 lb.: Bob Dobma, Seeley’s Bay
Over 8700 lb.: Bob Dobma, Seeley’s Bay

Class A2 - Truck Pull
Stock - Under 6500 lb.: Mel Smallman, Smiths Falls
Stock - Under 7500 lb.: Mel Smallman, Smiths Falls
Stock - Under 8500 lb.: Mel Smallman, Smiths Falls
Stock Diesel-Under 8500 lb.: Mike Lake, Toledo
Diesel Chipped-Under 8500 lb.: Mike Lake, Toledo
Open Class-Gas and Diesel-Under 8500 lb.: Dalton Berry-Stacey, Lyndhurst

Class B - Lawn Mower Races
8 to 12 H.P.: No entries
12 to 15 H.P.: Erica Alexander, Roblin
16 to 20 H.P.: Tyler Alexander, Roblin
Open Class: Bruce Lemmon, Selby
Powder Puff: Erica Alexander, Roblin

Class C - Leeds County 4-H
All youth participants

Class D - Horse Draw
Light Class: Under 3400 lb.: Ken Uens, Thomasburg
Heavy Class: Over 3400 lb.: Yves Proulx, Cap-Saint Ignace, PQ
Best Dressed Light Team:
Shawn Mack, Napanee
Best Dressed Heavy Team:
Yves Proulx, Cap-Saint Ignace, PQ

Elementary School Competition:
Rideau Vista Public School, Westport

Class E-Goats
Alpine: Ed Cavanagh, Toledo
La Mancha: Robert Pacheco, Frankford
Nubian: Gary Lapier, Mountain
Saanen: Chantel Todd, Oxford Mills
Toggenburg: Robert Pacheco, Frankford
Recorded Grades: Robert Pacheco, Frankford

Class G-Western Horse Show
Pee-wee: David Moore, Kemptville
Youth: Brooklin Burke, Smiths Falls
Senior: Maddi Wright, Kingston
Overall: Maddi Wright, Kingston

Class H-Grains and Grasses:
Sam and Ethan Grant, Elgin
Class I-Eggs: Riley Dwyr, Elgin
Class J-Vegetables, Herbs and Fruit:
Len Vincent, Delta
Class K-Maple Produce-Syrup:
Darrell Halladay, North Augusta
Class K-Maple Produce-Sugar/Butter:
Quabbin Hill Maple, Mallorytown
Class M-Home Baking:
Ruth McCallum, Kingston
Class N-Canned / Bottled Goods:
Joan Irvine, Smiths Falls
Class P-Crafts: Brigitte Furzer, Glenburnie
Class Q-Art and Photography:
Dennis Dodman, Lansdowne
Class R-Flowers and Plants: Pat Best, Elgin
Class S-Homecraft: Joan Irvine, Smiths Falls
Class T-Antiques: Joan Irvine, Smiths Falls
Class U-Junior Work:
Ages 6 and Under: Taylor Armstrong, Portland
Ages 7 to 11 years: Rayne Steacy, Westport
Ages 12 to 16 years: Ella Miller, Addison

Citizen of the Year: Sharon Okum, Delta
Youth Award of Excellence: Not Awarded

Agricultural Service Diploma:
Brian Seeley, Prescott
Fair Ambassador Program (l-r)
Ambassador: Hailee Banks, Elgin
1st Runner Up: Serina Sweetland, Elgin

Mini King and Queen Program (l-r)

Mini Queen:
Gemma Barham, 7 years old, Prescott

Mini King:
Cameron Martell, 8 years old, Kingston

“Cheer for a Year” Raffle
Licence Number: M 801020
Winner: Howard Fenlong, Athens

Attendance (unaudited): 9,000

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Delta Fair
THANK YOU
188th Annual Edition
www.deltafair.com

The Board of Directors of the Delta Agricultural Society would like to acknowledge all of the Volunteers, Sponsors, Exhibitors and Participants who supported the 2018 Delta Fair.

Because of your interest, dedication, loyalty and enthusiasm, the 188th Anniversary Edition nurtured countless unforgettable moments for all!

Thanks again and we look forward to seeing you next year!
July 25th to 28th, 2019

DELTA FAIR ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Delta Agricultural Society will be held at the Fair Office at October 24th at 7:00 p.m.

New members are welcome!

Photo: 2018 Delta Fair Board of Directors
DONATION TO THE DELTA FOOD BANK

Thanks to the overwhelming success of the “A Day in the Park” Craft & Vendor Event and the Hot Dog Barbeque, a record breaking $2,166.75 was donated by the Lower Beverley Lake Park Seasonal Campers to the Food Bank.

Special thanks to all of the organizers, venders, volunteers and participants for producing a most enjoyable day for all; WELL DONE!

Photo (l-r):
Seasonal Camper Michaelann Wright,
Jana Curtis representing the Delta Food Bank, and
Seasonal Camper Linda Spicer.

Tight Budget?
Cupboards Bare?
WE CAN HELP!

DELTA FOOD BANK

OPEN on the second Tuesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

LOCATED in the Delta United Church Hall (use the side door)

CONTACT Linda Gifford for additional information at 613-213-4828

Special thanks are extended to Sharon Findlay, Ryan Selleck and Candice Findlay for their years of volunteer support and service with the Food Bank.

New volunteers who are willing to contribution 2 hours a month are welcome to join the Food Bank Team. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Linda Gifford.

CELEBRATING CHURCH ANNIVERSARIES

Please join the congregations of the Delta Baptist and United Churches in celebrating their anniversaries.

Delta Baptist Church: 138th Anniversary Service on September 23rd at 9:30 a.m.
Delta United Church: 190th Anniversary Service on September 30th at 9:15 a.m.
LOWER BEVERLEY LAKE PARK

A complete listing of all 2018 events is available on the park’s website at www.beverleylakepark.com. Unless noted otherwise, all events are held at the Bradford Pavilion.

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Fall Camping Special (September 3rd to September 27th)

- 20% Discount on campsite rental fee
- Minimum of two nights stay required

Thanksgiving Special (September 28th to October 8th)

- 25% Discount on campsite rental fee
- Minimum of two nights stay required

TERRY FOX RUN FOR CANCER RESEARCH

The 2018 Edition of the Terry Fox Run for Cancer Research will be held in Delta on Sunday, September 16th.

Based at the Delta Fair Grounds, the event will begin with the registration desk opening at 8:00 a.m. Participants will begin their scenic walk / run through the Village and Lower Beverley Lake Park at 10:00 a.m.

For more information regarding the event or to receive pledge sheets, please contact Yvonne Olson at 613-928-2741 or 613-924-2736.

The Terry Fox Foundation firmly believes in its obligation to be fully transparent in all matters relating to fiscal reporting. With only 3 cents of every dollar going towards administration and 10 cents going towards fund raising costs, the Foundation is an industry leader in fund raising accountability. To date, over $550 million has been raised worldwide for research in Terry’s name through the Annual Terry Fox Run.
RIDEAU LAKES
VINTAGE RIDERS’ RALLY
(Aka the OBs’ Picnic)

The 17th Annual Vintage Riders’ Rally will be held in Lower Beverley Lake Park from September 7th to 9th. The weekend is dedicated to vintage motorcycles, riders, and enjoying the roads of the Frontenac Axis.

Karaoke will be available in the pavilion on Friday night following show set up at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday’s events include the ‘Road Run’ starting at 10:00 a.m., field games at 1:00 p.m., a barbeque at 5:00 p.m. followed by music from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. by ‘Loaded Six String’.

On Sunday, a bike show will be held at 12:00 p.m. and the awards will be presented at 1:30 p.m.

OLD BASTARDS SUPPORT DELTA ORGANIZATIONS

Thanks to the generosity of the Old Bastards’ Vintage Motorcycle Club, two Delta organizations received donations to further support their mandates.

Brian Moss (l) and Lincoln Peirce (r) presented cheques at Delta Fair in the amount of $600 to both the Delta Food Bank and the Delta Beautification Committee.

Gerald Phillips accepted the donation on behalf of the Delta Food Bank while Liz Preibe accepted the donation on behalf of the Delta Beautification Committee.
Celebrating 190 Years at the Delta United Church

The history of this congregation dates back to 1828 when the first Methodist “Saddle Bag Preacher” arrived in Stevenstown on horseback.

The members of the Methodist Congregation met in a building which was used by the Baptists and later purchased by the Anglicans for current use as St. Paul’s Anglican Church. The parishioners would also meet in each other’s homes, the school house, or the grist mill. In 1843, the Methodist community formed a new group and, in that year, the Reverend James Bell preached the first revival service.

The Methodist community grew and with the influence of some of the more prominent men in Beverley, the first Methodist church was built in 1863. This building has since been renovated and converted into apartments. Over the next 20 years, they could no longer accommodate their growing congregation so in 1888 money was raised to build the current sanctuary, hall, and bell tower.

In 1925, the Methodists decided to become part of the newly formed United Church of Canada which resulted in a name change to the Delta United Church. Today, Delta United continues the longstanding tradition of their forefathers as they continue to be a place of worship where all are welcome. The Congregation supports the United Church of Canada Mission & Service Fund which directs monies to help people across Canada and around the world.

The congregation is very active in the local community and regularly partners with the Lower Beverley Lake Park Management Board and The Delta Mill Society in hosting various events.

A service will be held on Sunday, September 30th at 9:15 a.m. in celebration of the 190th Anniversary of the Congregation with Anna Greenhorn as the guest speaker. The service will be followed by lunch in the Church Hall. Please come and join in the celebrations!

1968 Delta United Church Junior Choir
Directed by Mrs. Joan Butcher and Accompanied by Mrs. Irma Chant

Middle Row (l-r): Greg Rowe, Susan Jones, Unknown, Diane Goodbody, Debbie Goodbody, Myrla Halladay, Chris Rowe.
"Instilling a Passion for Our Heritage"

It has been an extremely busy and exciting summer for the members and volunteers of the Delta Mill Society. First of all, a vote of thanks is extended to the four summer students: Jared Hayes, Nicholas Couzelis, Kyla Newman and Emily Gardiner. These students have done a fantastic job in providing guided tours along with completing various special projects. A vote of thanks is also extended to the following volunteers who have helped in making this summer a great success; John Cain, our Blacksmith has been a great addition to the operation and his craftwork can be purchased in the Mill Gift Shop and Chris Wooding has also had a busy year in not only growing the red fife wheat but also grinding it, with the flour being sold as soon as it is bagged.

With the help of our volunteers, the Old Stone Mill will remain open on Saturdays until the Harvest Festival. In the meantime, tours are available by appointment.

FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS on September 21st

The Old Town Hall will soon be echoing with the tunes of the Jim Bryson Band. Jim is a Canadian singer and record maker who has released 5 critically acclaimed solo recordings; the most recent being 2016’s “Somewhere We Will Find Our Place”.

A buffet featuring a variety of dishes will be available at 6:00 p.m. at a cost of $14.00 per person. Reservations are required and can be secured by emailing Joanne Van Dreumel at joanne.van.dreumel@gmail.com

The show starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Old Town Hall. Tickets are available at a cost of $25.00 per person and can be purchased online at www.festivalofsmallhalls.frontgatetickets.com.

HARVEST FESTIVAL on September 29th - See Page 9 for complete details.

A TRIBUTE to the LEGENDS of COUNTRY MUSIC on October 20th

Come and enjoy an evening of traditional country music at the Old Town Hall.

An evening meal will be available at 6:00 p.m. followed by the concert at 7:00 p.m.

Meal tickets ($14.00 per person) and concert tickets ($25.00 per person) can be purchased by contacting Sharon at 613-928-2228 / 613-246-1836 or via email to treasurer.TDMS@gmail.com.

HALLOWEEN SENIORS’ LUNCH AND DANCE on October 25th

Seniors and the Young at Heart are invited to a free lunch followed by music and dancing in the Old Town Hall from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Admission is free with donations being greatly appreciated.

SPIRITS OF THE MILL on October 26th and 27th

Tour the spookily decorated mill and meet various characters from the past. Tours start at the Old Town Hall between 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. It is an experience not to be missed!
4th Annual Delta Harvest Festival
A Community Event
Saturday, September 29, 2018

"At the Old Stone Mill NHS"* From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Street Vendors Selling Produce
Flour & Bread Sales
Mill Gift Shop
Black Smith Demo
Grinding Demo 1 p.m.
No Charge to Street Vendors selling produce around the Old Stone Mill for more info email info@deltamill.org or call 613-928-2584
Bring your Own Table

"Delta Fire Hall Museu
On Millcreek Dr
"Lower Beverley Lake Park"
25% off camping rates for the weekend!

"At Delta United Church"
8 a.m. to 10 a.m.
McDelta Harvest Breakfast

"At the Old Town Hall" From 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Friends of the Mill Baking/Preserves
Bread Baking Contest at 11 a.m.
Rideau Lakes Library Green Screen
BBQ Hot Dogs starting at 11 a.m.

"At the Delta Fair Grounds" From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Craft Vendors at the Fair Hall
Car Show
Entertainment
Canteen
Harvest Dance at 8 p.m.
If you wish to rent a table at the Delta Fair Hall email info@deltafair.com or call 613-928-2800
Cost $10 per 6' table

"At St. Paul's Anglican Church"
Local Vendors & Yard Sale @ 9 a.m.
Chicken Pot Pie Lunch at 11 a.m.

Make Delta, ON. Your Fall Destination!
We Encourage the Community to decorate for the Harvest. Prizes awarded to the best decorated property!

Sponsored by the Delta Mill Society - for more info visit www.deltamill.org or email info@deltamill.org or call 613-928-2584
As the remaining days of summer slowly change into fall, our library shifts gears from ‘Summer Reads’ to books on travel. Stop by and grab a one or two on exotic locations to start planning your winter get-away or download a copy through Hoopla, Libby or Axis360. Stop by the branch to get started!

Delta along with the other Rideau Lakes Library branches now have a Community Information Hub that shares information, brochures, business cards, etc. on local tourist hot spots and businesses. Please feel free to drop by during open hours to see what is available or to add to the resource. For additional information, contact Jamie at admin@rideaulakeslibrary.ca.

The internet is always available for use both inside the library during open hours or outside when the library is closed between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; there is a nice bench where you can sit in comfort and an available outlet in case you need to charge up.

Library staff continues to partner with volunteers with the Rideau Lakes Local History Centre to help digitize local collections of photos and documents. For additional information, contact Sue via email to rideaulakeshistory@gmail.com. The Centre remains open on Thursday afternoons between the hours of 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Contact Ashley (ashleyrideaulakes@gmail.com) to book a one-on-one tech help session. Yes, she will come to the Delta branch to meet you!

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

A special service dedicated to the Blessing of the Animals will be held at St. Paul’s on Thursday, October 4th at 6:00 p.m.

Anyone wanting to bring a large animal is asked to call Doug or Claire at 613-928-2761 to make all necessary arrangements.

Light refreshments will be available following the service.

All are welcome!
Township of Rideau Lakes
Ward One
Bastard and South Burgess

VOTING PERIOD

The voting period, being the advance vote and including voting day, will be for a term of 8 (eight) full days commencing Monday, October 15th, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. (EST) and will terminate on Monday, October 22nd, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. (EST).

VOTING METHOD

- The 2018 Municipal Election being held in the Township of Rideau Lakes will exclusively utilize the alternative voting method known as "Voting by Telephone/Internet".
- All eligible electors will receive a “Voter Information Letter” by mail which will contain a Personalized Identification Number (PIN#).
- If an elector owns two parcels of land, they can only vote in the ward where their primary residence is located; they cannot vote in two wards.
- Electors who do not have internet can opt to vote by telephone or go to the Library in Elgin or Lombardy to use a computer. Library staff will be available to provide support while the library is open during the voting period. There will also be a computer available at the Township Office for electors to use to vote.

ELECTION RESULTS

The results of the election will be presented in the Council Chambers at the Township of Rideau Lakes Municipal Office, 1439 County Road 8, as soon as possible after 8:00 p.m. on October 22nd, 2018.

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DELTA FAIR THANKS VOLUNTEERS

The Delta Agricultural Society recently presented donation cheques in the amount of $500 to each of their partner organizations in recognition of their volunteer efforts in selling tickets at the gates during the recent Delta Fair.


Photo (l-r)
Stephen Ball-Delta Fair Director,
Marie Sudds representing the Lower Beverley Park Seasonal Campers' Recreation Committee
Rob Layng representing the Athens Lions Club
Pat Phillips representing the Delta United Church
Jean Daye representing the Royal Canadian Legion-Branch #207 Delta
Delta Fair Secretary William Morris.

SENIORS BENEFIT FROM BALL TOURNAMENT

Beverley Senior Citizens’ Club #460 would like to extend their sincere thanks to all of the organizers and participants of the ball tournament which was held at the Lakersfield Ball Diamond in Lower Beverley Park on July 14th.

Photo (l-r):
Vivian Morris, Treasurer for the Beverley Senior Citizens’ Club, accepted a $400 donation from Emily Phillips as profits from the tournament.

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.

SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB

Enjoy delicious food and fellowship every Saturday morning between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. at the Delta United Church Hall.

The breakfast menu includes bacon or sausage with eggs and cheese on an English muffin, home fries and coffee.
LOOKING TO DISPOSE OF UNWANTED METAL MATERIALS?

The Delta United Church is collecting scrap metal, copper, and lead acid batteries as a fund-raising project. Metal materials may be placed inside the container at the farm of Gerald Phillips, 718 Daytown Road, Delta, while spent batteries and wire may be placed beside the container. This recycle bin is NOT intended for regular garbage; thank you for your cooperation. Additional information is available by contacting Gerald at 613-928-2712.

THE DINNER’S CLUB

Sponsored by Community and Primary Health Care-Leeds Grenville, Diner’s Clubs are available to seniors and adults who are looking for more opportunities to meet people and socialize.

Diner’s Clubs provide a freshly-prepared, nutritious meal, as well as entertainment, educational presentations and the opportunity to socialize.

The Diner’s Club is held at noon in Memorial Hall at the Delta Baptist Church on the second Friday of each month (September 14th and October 12th) except for the months of July and August. A $10 meal payment is available upon arrival.

New attendees are most welcome!
For additional information, contact Sharon Okum by calling 613-928-2228 or 613-246-1836.

GOOD FOOD BOX

The Good Food Box offers fresh fruits and vegetables at wholesale prices for all members of the community.

Participants pay when they place their orders with the local host by the seventh day of each month for pick up on the third Tuesday of the month.

Prices vary between $5 and $15 depending on the size of the box requested. This program is volunteer driven and volunteer run.

For additional information, contact Claire by calling 613-928-2761.
Greetings; it has been a lovely summer albeit hot and dry!

The 188th Delta Fair was a huge success this year with only a small shower on the Saturday; we can always depend on the Delta Fair to bring some rain which was actually welcomed during this year of drought.

Tours of the Old Stone Mill have been tremendous this season. A couple of Saturday’s ago when I drove through the village after leaving a very busy Car Show at Lower Beverley Lake Park, there were people strolling along the streets, stopping off at the Old Stone Mill, the Blacksmith Shop and the Ice Cream Shop and sitting on the benches. It was wonderful to see. Thanks to our residents, volunteers and municipal staff for keeping our village looking great!

I have lived in Delta my entire life and there is no one prouder and more committed to this community than I am. I can remember when the Jubilee Block was full, never ever thinking there would come a day when it would be empty. I remember the sweet smells coming out of the stacks of the Confederated Foods Maple Syrup plant. I remember the Max Aines clothing store and the Russell offices in the red brick building and my Grandpa Gray's very busy garage. These businesses are no longer in service for one reason or another as times change and people move on.

But I also remember the Old Stone Mill being badly deteriorated. With the foresight of Miller Hastings Steele, who sold it to four Trustees for a dollar with the understanding that it be made into a museum, the Delta Mill Society was formed. After many, many years of fund raising and grant writing and then many more years of restoration, the Old Stone Mill is now a gem and a "poster child" for the Township of Rideau Lakes and the United Counties of Leeds-Grenville. When the old millstones are grinding wheat throughout the summer, it is a great reminder that when we work together change can happen and be good!

I remember when the only place that we, as kids, could safely swim was at Sand Bottom on Lakeshore Drive until Lower Beverley Lake Park was developed and offered an excellent beach that is still available to all in the community. The Park is not only an economic driver for the village but for the entire Township and not only during the Camping Season but also during December with the 'Celebrating the Season' festival. A recent tour of sixteen other campgrounds confirmed that Lower Beverley Lake Park is one of the best in this entire area.
I can also recall when there were only open fields along King Street until the Delta Country Market, Liquor Store and Post Office were built. I remember Beverley Elementary Public School newly built and opened in the year that I started in grade four. It has since been closed and sadly demolished but wouldn't the property make a great place for a seniors' affordable housing complex?

I am a believer that if we build it they will come like our Field of Dreams ball diamond which is one of the best in the area. After much fundraising that included the best cookbook ever, it was relocated in 1997-1998 from the Fairgrounds to the property adjacent to Lower Beverley Lake Park. Ball was BIG in Delta back in the day and for awhile it dwindled but it has since made a come back with Slow Pitch and Little League being offered this year. On Recreation Drive the Rink was resurfaced a couple of years ago with a cement pad that can be used not only in the winter for hockey and skating but it is available in the summer for ball hockey, tennis, pickle ball, basket ball plus other activities for both adults and children. Come and See!

So, our community may not be as it once was but some things are indeed better and while it is good to remember our past, we also need to look to the future. We welcomed (actually truth be told we could hardly wait) Josh, Brandi, Madelyn and Ethan Ross who have brought Millcreek Scoops Ice Cream and Penny Candy to our community. It has been a great addition to the downtown area and from what I understand, it is very busy; I personally know that the ice cream is delicious. Thanks to Sharon and Jeff Findlay for running the ‘J & S Goodies’ Chip Truck and to Elizabeth Okum who will be opening her Massage Therapy in the near future. Thanks to all of our business owners like the Delta Country Market, R. R. Equipment Rentals, the Denaut Mansion Country Inn, Cedar Knolls Camp, Willard’s Donuts and our amenities including the Liquor Store and Post Office along with our church congregations who are always there when we need them.

One of mandates of the Delta Community Improvement Committee is landscaping the waterfront area across from the Jubilee Block. We are looking for accessibility, longer and more stable docking, kayak/canoe launch and a design to give it a sense of place. Recently the building at 50 King Street was vested by the Township and demolished so we can now focus on designing this area. A Landscape Designer has been hired and will soon have the plans ready so we are scheduling a drop in Open House on Saturday, September 15th, 2018 at the Old Town Hall from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It will be an opportunity for the community to come and see the designs and share their comments; allowing for the fund raising and searching for grant opportunities to begin. The Bastard Baking Company will be popping up at the Old Town Hall that day as well.

This will be my last post for this term on Municipal Council and when I reflect back there has been a lot of work done but there is still much more to do. I wish to extend my sincere thanks for all your help and support over these past four years.
**SUBMISSION DEADLINE for the**
**November/ December Edition Is October 19th, 2018**

**Beverley Senior Citizen’s Club #460**
- Meeting / Pot-Luck luncheon on September 26th / October 24th at noon in the United Church Hall.

**Delta Agricultural Society**
- Board meetings on September 26th and October 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the Fair Office.

**Delta Baptist Church**
- Bible study every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in Memorial Hall at the Baptist Church.
- Diner’s Club on September 14th & October 12th at noon in Memorial Hall at the Baptist Church.
- 138th Anniversary Service on September 23rd at 9:30 a.m.

**Delta Food Bank**
- Open on the second Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the United Church Hall. Call Linda at 613-213-4828 for information.

**Delta Mill Society**
- Festival of Small Halls on September 21st at the Town Hall; meal at 6:00 p.m. / show at 7:00 p.m.
- Harvest Festival on September 29th (See Page 9 for complete details)
- Country Blends Gospel Concert on October 20th at the Town Hall; meal at 6 p.m. / show at 7 p.m.
- Seniors’ Social and Dance on October 25th at the Town Hall starting at 12:00 p.m.
- Spirits of the Mill on October 26th and 27th starting at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

**Delta United Church**
- Monday morning coffee and donuts from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the United Church Hall.
- Saturday morning breakfast from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the United Church Hall.
- 190th Anniversary Service on September 30th at 9:15 a.m.

**Good Food Box**
- Fresh fruit and vegetables are available at wholesale prices for all community members. Payment is due on the 7th of the month; delivery is made on the 3rd Tuesday. Call Claire at 613-928-2761 for information.

**Lower Beverley Lake Park**
- See Page 5 for complete details.

**Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #207 and Auxiliary**
- Euchre tournaments are held every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the United Church Hall.

**St. Paul’s Anglican Community Centre**
- ‘Blessing of the Animals’ service on October 4th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Paul’s Church.

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**SUNDAY SERVICES**
- Baptist Church 9:30 a.m.
- Last Sunday of the month is Children’s Sunday
- United Church with Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

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