Delta Country Christmas

The Delta Beautification/Country Christmas Committee would like to express sincere appreciation to all the volunteers who helped make this event another great success! Thank you to the singers of the Deltones Community Choir for donating their time and musical talents at the numerous practices, to all of the participants of the pageant, to the donors of the children’s cookie bags and to the Decorating Contest judges. Thanks to the efforts of many, the Christmas Story was once again retold in pageantry and song.

Winners of the Decorating Contest include the following:

**Business Theme:** Cedar Knolls Camps
**Honourable Mention:** Dave & Mary Lou Morris

**Religious Theme:** Art & Wanda Merriman
**Honourable Mention:** Ralph & Cathy Livingston

**General Theme:** Dave & Nancy Ross
**Honourable Mention:** Charles & Sharon Healey

A special vote of thanks is extended to all of the area residents who decorated their homes and property in preparation for this joyous event!

**Photo:** Residence of Art & Wanda Merriman

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**Thank You from St. Paul’s Anglican Church**

As we begin our third century of service to Delta and the surrounding community, we want to thank everyone who celebrated with us in 2011. Two hundred years is a long time, and while some of what the founders of our Village built still remains, much has changed. Perhaps more importantly, how we work and live has changed dramatically.

What hasn’t changed is how we care for each other and our community. We still care about our heritage while we build for the future. We still care about our neighbours, and we still lend a helping hand when needed. The churches in our community have in the past, and will continue to reach out to help those who are in need. These buildings are more than houses of worship but rather a place where people can meet and make new friends, as well as find comfort, support, and assistance when needed.

If you would like to know more about the services, heritage or activities of St. Paul’s Church, please contact the following:

- Doug Cowley, Rector’s Warden at 613-928-2761
- Christine Curtis, People’s Warden at 613-359-6306
- Reverend Karen Freake, Priest at 613-924-2108
Winter Carnival 2012

DARS (Delta Athletic and Recreation Society) will be hosting a Winterfest on Saturday, February 18th (weather permitting) at the Delta Rink at 47 Recreation Drive. There will be numerous activities on the ice for every age group.

Watch our Facebook page for further details.

Updates from the Delta Baptist Church

An Awakening of Compassion: A five week session on understanding and living with mental illness. Discussions will be held on topics which relate to mental health and breaking the silence and stigma that surrounds mental illness. Sessions will be held at 10:30 a.m. every Thursday at Delta Baptist Church starting on January 12th. General public is welcome to attend.

Missions Event/Hymn Sing/Dessert Party

Join us on Sunday, February 12th at 6:00 p.m. for a delightful evening together and an opportunity to support families in Kenya through community development and the provision of clean drinking water.

Community Garden

Don’t have a place to grow a garden? Want to work with others on a garden? Want to experience growing your own food? Would you be interested in participating in a community garden project? The Food 4 All Network is a group of local people gathering to consider how the local community can improve access to healthy and safe food. One outcome is the support of community gardens? To find out more or to help get a garden going in Delta, contact Brian Wheaton at 613-928-2963 or meet at Delta Baptist Church on Saturday January 14 at 10:00 am.

RILTS Dances!

A new season of Hip Hop/Jazz classes begins on Tuesday, January 10th, 2012. Classes are available at the Old Town Hall for youth between the ages of 6-14 years. Registration ($80) is now open for the beginner level classes at 5-6 p.m. or 6-7 p.m. Dancers, who register for this 12 week session, will be included in the Rideau Islands & Lakes Theatre School main stage production of the Wizard of Oz which will be performed during the final weekend of March.

Adult Hip Hopercise classes, which includes stretching, toning and cardio to popular music, resumes on Tuesday, January 10th, 2012 between the hours of 7-8 p.m. The registration fee for this six week session is $60.00.

Contact Rachel at 613-928-3457 to book your spot now!
Record Numbers Celebrate the Season

The 7th Annual “Celebrating the Season” festival will certainly be remembered as the busiest event in history with an attendance in excess of 6,000 people visiting the park. Held over the five Saturday nights prior to Christmas, celebrations are organized through a partnership between the three Village Churches, the Delta Mill Society, and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion, the Township of Rideau Lakes and the Lower Beverley Lake Park Management Board.

Whether it was the evening meals and musical performances at the Churches, the tours of the Delta Mill, the wagon rides throughout the park to view the spectacular display of lights and Christmas cards or the festive atmosphere at Santa’s Workshop, “Celebrating the Season” was a true success in every sense!

Plans are already underway for celebrations in 2012 with more decorations and lighted displays.

Rideau Lakes Public Library
18 King Street, Delta, ON K0G 1E0
Phone: 613-928-2991
Email: deltalibrary@ripnet.com

The present Delta Branch opened its doors in October 1995. This sunny little facility offers a wide selection of books for children and adults. This branch has always emphasized children’s programming and a variety of imaginative programs are conducted throughout the year. The branch offers several kids programs, including an Early Years program and a homework club. Internet access is available.

NEW Branch Hours
Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Thursday: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday: Closed
Saturday: 9:30AM - 12:30PM
Sunday: Closed

Celebrating a Birthday over 80 years or an Anniversary over 50 years? If so, your special day can be included in the Delta Pilot, and may be displayed on the Park’s lighted message board sign!
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Beverley Senior Citizens’ Club #460
- Meeting at the United Church Hall on the 4th Wednesday of the month.
  Pot luck meal will be served at noon followed by a meeting. New members are welcome to attend!
- Euchre party every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at the Delta Fair Office.

Delta Agricultural Society
- Board of Directors Meeting at the Fair Office on January 26th at 7:00 p.m.
- Maple Syrup Festival Planning meeting on January 29th at 1:00 p.m.

Delta Baptist Church
- Choir Practice is held every Thursday at 1:30 p.m. New members welcome!
- Annual Congregational Meeting on January 29th at 11:00 a.m. followed by a Pot-Luck Luncheon.
- An Awakening of Compassion: Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. starting on January 12th.

Delta Food Bank
- Open from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the United Church Hall. Call Claire at 613-928-2761 for information.

Delta United Church
- Evening Church Service held on the last Wednesday of the month starting with a meal at 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.
- Choir Practice is held every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. New members welcome!
- UCW meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Hall.
- Youth Group meets every second Monday at 6:30 p.m. starting on January 16th.
- ‘CRS’ Bluegrass Music Concert and Spaghetti Supper on February 12th starting at 2:00 p.m.
  Contact Bruce Ross for more information at 613-928-2321.
- Annual Congregational Meeting on February 26th starting with a Pot-Luck Luncheon at 12:00 p.m.

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 pick up is on the 3rd Tuesday. Call Claire at 613-928-2761 for information.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #207
(Meeting at the United Church Hall until April)
- Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.
- Euchre party is held every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #207 Ladies Auxiliary
(Meeting at the United Church Hall until April)
- Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY SERVICES
Baptist Church 9:30 a.m.
St. Paul’s Anglican 8:30 a.m.
United Church 9:15 a.m.

Contact Information
LOWER BEVERLEY LAKE PARK MANAGEMENT BOARD
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