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Delta Park Becomes Holiday Destination



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 22nd, Delta Park will be open for tours on five consecutive Saturday nights. More than 75,000 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 United Church on ½ hour intervals starting at 5:00 p.m.

Patrons walking through the park may do so by leaving their vehicle at the Village Boat Launch.

Date	Meal	Price
November 22 nd	Lasagna Dinner	\$11.00 p.p.
November 29 th	Spaghetti Dinner	\$11.00 p.p.
December 06 th	Shepherd's Pie	\$11.00 p.p.
December 13 th	Chicken Stew & Biscuits	\$11.00 p.p.
December 20 th	Turkey Dinner	\$17.00 p.p.

Reservations are required for the turkey dinner on December 20th. To make reservations, please contact Pat at 613-928-2712 or email <u>harymary@ripnet.com</u>. Deadline for reservations is December 16th.

Meals are served in the United Church Hall between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Throughout the festival, tours of the Old Stone Mill will be available at 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Public Washrooms will be open from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Old Town Hall.

For additional information, please visit the park website at www.beverleylakepark.com







Township of Rideau Lakes



The Township of Rideau Lakes is a rich, vibrant community in which residents are willing to contribute their time, talent and resources to work together for the betterment of the entire municipality. Public service is one of the noblest pursuits an individual can undertake and service on Municipal Council provides a wonderful opportunity to give back to one's community.

A sincere vote of thanks is extended to all of the candidates who participated in the 2014 election followed by congratulatory wishes to the following individuals who will represent the Ward of Bastard & South Burgess during the next term of council:

- ✓ Mayor Ronald Holman
- ✓ Councillor Cathy Livingston
- ✓ Councillor Doug Good



Special thanks to Councillor Rob Dunfield for representing our community on Council during previous terms of office.

Terry Fox Run for Cancer Research

Congratulations to all of the participants and volunteers of the 2014 Edition of the **Terry Fox Run for Cancer Research** which was held on Sunday, September 14th.



Based at the Delta Fair Grounds, the event began at 8:00 a.m. with participants enjoying a scenic walk / run through the Village and Lower Beverley Lake Park. A total of \$3,408.00 was raised at this year's event with \$1,020.50 coming from camper sponsorships within the Lower Beverley Lake Park. Well Done Delta Volunteers!

Planning Begins for 2015 Delta Fair



While this year's Delta Fair concluded just four months ago, the Delta Agricultural Society is already making plans for the 185th Anniversary edition.

A Board of 25 Directors, 30 Associate Directors and 8 Junior Directors were recently elected at the Annual General Meeting. Committees are responsible for organizing next year's fair which will be held from Thursday, July 23rd to Sunday, July 26th.

Officers for the upcoming term include Charles Nichols as President, Art Cowan as First Vice-President, Melinda Held-Cowan as Second Vice-President, Tracy Perrin as Treasurer, William Morris as Secretary and Linda Barker as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

Rideau Lakes Public Library

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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. There is no cost for a library membership nor are there any overdue fines.

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:	9:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.
Sunday:	Closed



Delta Branch Offers Coffee and Tea on Saturday Mornings

Stop by the Library and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea during regular hours each Saturday. During the winter months, the branch will be offering the opportunity to get together and chat about books, movies, magazines, and local news. To offset the cost, there will be a minimal charge of \$1.00 per cup.



MOVE IT

If you are in Grade 3, 4, 5 or 6, You should be joining **Move It** for an evening of Games, Friends Snacks, Crafts and Fun!

The **Move It** afterschool program is held at the Delta Library every Thursday evening between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

To Register, please contact Terri Country Roads Community Health Centre thoward@crchc.on.ca 613-272-2799 #248





Updates from the Delta Athletic & Recreational Society

Throughout the summer, teams met to play ball hockey at the Recreation Centre every Friday evening.

Every Sunday afternoon, DARS volunteers provided snacks at the Canteen for the players and fans of the soft ball games held at the Lakersfield Ball Diamond in Lower Beverley Lake Park. A big 'thank you' is extended to Christa Laming, Pat Phillips, William O'Grady, Connor Pearson, and Josh Pearson for operating the Canteen. Special thanks are extended to Richard Chisamore for being such a sport and organizing an extra fundraising event during the closing tournament.

The Delta Athletic & Recreational Society is very grateful for the many donations received from the summer community residents in support of the goal to replace the aging asphalt surface at the rink. During the summer months, a separate committee met to draft and submit a funding application to the Ontario Trillium Foundation. Many people helped gather the necessary information for the submission of the application which was followed by an onsite meeting in August between representatives from the Trillium Foundation, DARS and the Township of Rideau Lakes. A decision on the application is anticipated by mid- November.

Be sure to stop by and visit with our volunteers at the Society's Snowman during Celebrating the Season at Lower Beverley Lake Park.

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The Delta Athletic & Recreational Society would like to wish one and all a safe and healthy holiday season!

Delta Country Christmas

On Saturday, November 29th, 2014, the community of Delta will once again be hosting a "*Delta Country Christmas*" event featuring the Deltones Community Choir.

The event will start at the Baptist Church at 6:00 p.m. with a short walk to the Mill Shed before returning to the United Church. 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.

Members of the community interested in singing in the choir or who have children interested in taking part in the program may contact Ginny Okum @ <u>okum.ginny@gmail.com</u> or Cathy Livingston @ <u>cathy.livingston@sympatico.ca</u>

The choir is being directed by Ginny Okum and accompanied by Madelyn Piehl-Mensen. Choir rehearsals are held each Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the United Church.



"Christmas At The Mill"

The Delta Mill Society is looking for people throughout the entire Township of Rideau Lakes who are interested in caroling during the five Saturday nights of Celebrating the Season. Groups of 6 to 8 people from a choir or just a group of people who enjoy singing Christmas Carols are welcome to participate.

Singers will be taken back to Victorian times with handmade costumes; skirts, cloaks and muffs for the ladies and cloaks and top hats for the men with lanterns to carry. All costumes will be provided.

Choristers may lift their voices in harmony at the Old Stone Mill, the Old Town Hall or as they walk throughout the streets of Delta. Interested parties may contact Cathy Livingston by emailing <u>cathy.livingston@sympatico.ca</u> or by calling 613-928-2796.

Celebrating the Season is sponsored by the Lower Beverley Lake Park Management Board in partnership with the Delta Beautification Committee, the Delta Mill Society, the Delta United Church, the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 207 Delta and the Township of Rideau Lakes.

Delta Heritage Plaque Installed

The historical and cultural value of St. Paul's Anglican Church in Delta was recently celebrated following the installation of a heritage plaque by the Delta Beautification Committee. The shared usage of this 1811 church by multiple congregations tells the story of Delta's religious history.

Created and installed through a partnership between the Delta Beautification Committee and the Lower Beverley Lake Park Management Board, this plaque will be the sixth in a series of heritage displays in which photos and anecdotes of Delta's colourful history are showcased.

Earlier plaque installations feature the Baptist and United Churches, the Town Hall Building, the stone arch bridge, the Old Stone Mill and Delta's streetscape including the Jubilee Block. Photos of the various plaques can be found on the Lower Beverley Lake Park website at www.beverleylakepark.com/attractions.html

Photo (l-r)

Lower Beverley Park Manager William Morris, Rideau Lakes Mayor Ron Holman and Delta Beautification Committee Chairperson, Councillor Cathy Livingston join in celebrating the installation of Delta's 6th heritage plaque.







An Expression of Thanks to the Good People of Delta and Beyond

T'was the night before Harvest Fest and all through the town, the people of Delta were stirring and baking and scavenging and...! Mostly, what they were doing was helping the Delta Mill Society prepare for the next day's Thanksgiving Harvest Festival in the Old Town Hall and the Old Stone Mill.

And the Harvest Fest was a great success by all accounts. For the first time, the Delta Mill Society served breakfast, composed of turkey sausage from Wendy's, scrambled eggs, hash browns, and toast made from Delta Mill flour baked by the Delta Mill baker, Margo. Forty-five people turned up and, judging by the scoured plates, thoroughly enjoyed the offerings. It appears to be a winner, to be tried again next year.

Throughout the day, there were the annual crafts and bake sale as well as a silent auction, neither of which would have been possible without the contributions of baked goods and treasures donated by Delta and area residents. The Lower Beverley Lake Park offered wagon rides to kids of all ages. Chris, local area farmer and Delta Miller, ground 100 kilograms of grain in front of an appreciate audience and the Mill sold over 40 kilograms of flour, personally bagged in front of the appreciative buyers.

The Delta Mill Society would not be able to hold events such as Saturday's without the enthusiastic support of volunteers living in Delta and surrounding area. To those people who decorated the Hall and Mill, donated baked goods and produce, tracked down family treasures for the silent auction, prepared and served breakfast and hot dogs, and volunteered in the Mill by selling produce and providing tours, the Board of the Delta Mill Society expresses its gratitude.

Dann M. Michols President Delta Mill Society



Take some time to enjoy an afternoon of playing cards with your neighbours on Sunday, November 2nd at the Delta Fair Hall. Games will begin at 1:00 p.m. Refreshments and snack foods will be available.

A \$10.00 entry fee is payable upon registration. Cash prizes will be awarded. For additional information, contact Tracy by calling 613-928-2272 or via email to tracy.perrin@xplornet.com.



Members of the Community are invited to join the Comrades of **Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 207 Delta** for Service at the Delta United Church on November 9th at 9:15 a.m.





A **Memorial Service** will follow at the Cenotaph in Stone Mills Park at 11:00 a.m.

Refreshments will be served at the Legion Hall following the Service. In the event of inclement weather, the Service will be held at the Legion Hall.

> "Why Wear a Poppy?" by Don Crawford



"Please wear a poppy", the lady said, And held one forth, but I shook my head Then I stopped and watched as she offered them there,

And her face was old and lined with care;

But beneath the scars the years had made There remained a smile that refused to fade. A boy came whistling down the street, Bouncing along on carefree feet.

His smile was full of joy and fun, "Lady" said he "may I have one?" When she pinned it on, he turned to say: "Why do we wear a poppy today?"

The lady smiled in her wistful way And answered, "This is Remembrance Day, And the poppy there is a symbol for The gallant men who died in the war."

"And because they did, you and I are free, That's why we wear a poppy you see. I had a boy about your size, With golden hair and big blue eyes."

"He loved to play and jump and shout Free as a bird, he would race about. As the years went by, he learned and grew And became a man - as you will too. "

"He was fine and strong, with a boyish smile, But he'd seemed with us such a little while When war broke out and he went away. I still remember his face that day." "He then smiled at me and said good-bye. 'I'll be back soon, Mom, so please don't cry.' But the war went on and he had to stay And all I could do was wait and pray."

"His letters told us of the awful fight (I can see it in my dreams at night), With the tanks and guns and cruel barbed wire, And the mines and the bullets, the bombs and the fire."

"That sure did sound like an awful fight, But your son - did he come back alright?" A tear rolled down each faded cheek; She shook her head but didn't speak.

I slunk away in a sort of shame, And if you were with me, you'd have done the same;

For our thanks, in giving is aft delayed, Though our freedom was bought - and thousands paid!

And so, when we see a poppy worn, Let us reflect on the burden borne By those who gave their very all When asked to answer their country's call That we at home in peace might live. Then wear a poppy, be thankful and give!





CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Deadline for the January / February Edition is December 19th, 2014

Beverley Senior Citizens' Club #460

- Euchre party every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at the Delta Fair Office.
- Regular meeting with Pot-Luck luncheon on November 26th at noon-United Church Hall.
- Regular meeting with catered meal on December 10th at noon-United Church Hall

Delta Agricultural Society

- Euchre Party at the Fair Hall on November 2nd at 1:00 p.m.
- Board of Directors Meeting at the Fair Office on November 27th at 7:00 p.m.

Delta Athletic and Recreational Society

• Regular meeting at the Rec Centre on November 17th at 7:00 p.m.

Delta Baptist Church

- Regular Sunday morning Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.
- Bible Study every Thursday morning at 10:30 a.m.
- Choir Practice is held on the second Monday of each month at 1:30 p.m. New members welcome!
- Christmas Eve Service on December 24th at 6:00 p.m.

Delta Food Bank

- Donate to 'Build a Mountain of Food"-December 13th between 1:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m. at Delta Country Market.
- Open monthly from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday at the United Church Hall. Call Sharon at 613-928-2885 for information.

Delta United Church

- Monday Morning Coffee Break between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- Choir Practice is held every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. New members welcome!
- Regular Sunday morning Worship Service and Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.
- Remembrance Day Church Service with the Delta Legion on November 9th at 9:15 a.m.
- Longest Night Memorial Service on December 21st at 7:00 p.m.
- Christmas Eve Service on December 24th at 7:30 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 delivery is on the 3rd Tuesday. Call Claire at 613-928-2761 for information.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 207

- Remembrance Day Church Service at Delta United Church on November 9th at 9:15 a.m.
- Remembrance Day Service at the Cenotaph on November 9th at 11:00 a.m.; snacks to follow at Legion Hall.
- Regular meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the United Church Hall.
- Euchre party is held every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the United Church Hall.

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 207 Ladies Auxiliary

• Regular meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the United Church Hall.

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November 2nd