

DELTA MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL 1990

A Festival to celebrate Spring in 1990 will once again bring hundreds of visitors to the rural community of Delta on Saturday, March 31 and Sunday, April 1. Born as a Centennial project in 1967, the annual Delta Maple Syrup Festival continues to expand, adding new events and attracting increasing numbers as it prepares for its 23rd edition.

The Festival, which runs from 10a.m. to 6p.m. daily, features a parade Saturday afternoon. Bruce Wylie, Program Manager of CFJR Radio, Brockville, has agreed to be this year's parade marshall. Mr. Wylie is Chairperson of Riverfest and was Citizen of the Year in 1989. Floats entering the parade will line up on Stevens St. at 1p.m. prior to the 2p.m. start. Participating in the parade will be the student King, Queen, Prince and Princess from Beverley Elementary School, as well as local dignitaries and Members of Parliament.

The Committee is also sponsoring a poster contest for the students of Beverley Elementary School. The 12" by 18" posters will reflect the maple syrup production theme and will be evaluated by a panel of judges.

Along with the all-you-can-eat pancakes and maple syrup buffet at the Community Hall, an historical display at the famous Old Mill, Crafts and Bake Sales throughout the village and tours of the nine syrup producing bush lots are all high on the list of must-sees for the weekend. Weather permitting, there will be hay rides through the park. A Saturday evening dance at the Delta Legion Hall will round out the entertainment.

According to Chairman Millard Goodsell and his hard-working team, the Committee hopes to bring back a new event which began in 1989. This consists of a race of publicly sponsored plastic syrup jugs floating down the waterway between Upper and Lower Beverley Lakes. The success of this fun event depends primarily on the weather and organizers have developed a wait-and-see attitude.

As in years past, proceeds from the Festival go towards community projects and the following organizations received donations in 1989:

- *Athletic and Recreation Association - \$250.00
- *Delta Mill Society - \$200.00
- *Delta Christmas Fund - \$100.00
- *Delta Men's Fastball - \$200.00
- *Delta Ball League - \$500.00
- *Delta Community Hall Board - \$250.00
- *Beverley Elementary School - \$400.00

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Margaret Cripps was hostess for the February 6 meeting.

Clara Townsend, president for the month, welcomed the members and guests, thanked the hostess and opened the meeting with a verse on the theme "Love."

Nancy Wykes conducted the worship service, assisted by Alice Campbell with scripture reading. The hymn was followed by prayer.

Fourteen members and guests answered the roll call with a verse on the theme.

Alice Campbell gave a paper on "St. Valentine's Day."

17 home and 20 hospital calls were made, and 16 books were read. Cards were signed for shut-ins.

Minutes, correspondence and business were dealt with. Clara Townsend gave a sunshine report, money was collected for the project and plans for the World Day of Prayer were discussed.

Mrs. Powell closed the meeting with prayer. A social hour followed.

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