



### UELAC Members Honoured with The Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal Part III

*During her reign of six decades as Queen of Canada, Her Majesty has served our country with great dignity and dedication. In homage to Her Majesty's achievement and as a symbol of our appreciation, the new Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal will honour deserving Canadians who have contributed so much to this nation, and who have helped to define our ideal of service. The Queen has dedicated her life to encouraging excellence among Canadians, and this medal is an opportunity to recognize outstanding service to Canada and to see how we are brought together through action.*

The Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada and Patron of UELAC, May 22, 2011



**Pat Saunders'** service to her community was recognized with the presentation of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal by Andrea Horvath MPP at the Annex in Hamilton on 18 December 2012. Her citation indicated that "Pat Saunders has been active as a volunteer in many organizations in Hamilton including coordinating

volunteers who worked under supervising police officers in Community Policing Centres. She has been a volunteer member of the Advisory Committee of Claremont House which houses an alcohol treatment program. She has also served on the Status of Women Committee, the Hamilton Historical Board and the YWCA Beautiful Women Project."

Previously, Pat also received the Queen's Golden Jubilee medal in 2002, nominated by the Hamilton-Wentworth Police Association for having been the first woman to Chair the Hamilton-Wentworth Police Service from 1992-1996. She also set-up the "Volunteers in the Community Policing Centres" from 1997-2003. Pat Saunders is an active member with the Hamilton Branch UELAC.



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Toby Barrett, MPP for Haldimand/Norfolk presented **Pat Logan UE** with the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal at the RCAF #6 Dunnville Airport Museum during their general meeting on 12 January 2013.

In addition to being a member of the Col. John Butler (Niagara) Branch UEAC, Pat Logan is a long-time volunteer with the Airport Museum, the Dunnville Agricultural Society, Haldimand's genealogy society, the Dunnville Heritage Society, her church and the Inman Road Women's Institute.

**Marion Overholt UE**, a member of the Bicentennial Branch UELAC, was also awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal by MP Brian Masse for her services to her community. Her citation indicated "she has dedicated most of her career to assisting those less fortunate, and is involved with many organizations that promote social change. She has spent her life fighting for social justice and helping to improve the lives of thousands of Windsorites."

Over the years Marion has been a board member of numerous community agencies and social justice initiatives including the Downtown Mission, Unemployed Help Centre, Windsor Coalition against Poverty, the Wellcome Centre, the Windsor Social Justice Coalition and Project Ploughshares. She is a past chair of the Provincial Community Legal Clinics Steering Committee on Social Assistance.



She has served on a number of United Church committees at both the national and local levels, including a ten year term on United Church Judicial Committee.

Marion was also the recipient of the 2007 recipient of the Elementary Teacher's Federation of Ontario award for Women Working in Social Activism, and Canada 125 Commemorative Medal.

Many UELAC Branches have indicated that former members have also been recognized for their volunteer services to other organizations. **David E. Rumball UE**, a former member of Kawartha Branch, received his Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for "services as the first Director, Ceremonial of the RHSC, as President of the Toronto Branch, the Society's Vice President and Administrator, his fervour and efforts have greatly benefited the aims of the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada." **D'Arcy Boulton UE**, a former member of the Gov. Simcoe Branch, received his Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal "in recognition of his contributions in the academic study of heraldry and lengthy service to the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada over four decades notably as a scholar, artist, writer and lecturer."



A former member of the Col. John Butler (Niagara) Branch, **Aidan Brownlee UE**, was presented with the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal on 2 March 2013 by Nickel Belt MP Claude Gravelle. The following citation was read in both English and French: a top student, Aidan has volunteered in and beyond her community from therapeutic riding to Katimavik in B.C.. She raised funds through 30 hour fasting, canvassed for Heart and Stroke, presented to UELAC, worked with Girl Guides Assoc. and assembled solar panels in Costa Rica.



At the February meeting of the Hamilton Branch UELAC, Kevin Flynn, MPP for Oakville presented Dominion Past President Fred Hayward UE with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal for "his outstanding volunteerism to his church community, the education community, the Heritage community, and for his tireless work with the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada."