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NEXT MEETING: Saturday, March 25, 2017. Meeting at 1:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Church Hall. (Soup and sandwich lunch at 12:00, hall open from 11:30 a.m.) You are invited to bring sandwiches or squares to accompany the soup, which will be provided by the Hospitality Committee. Dr. Laura Murray will speak on "How the Deal Went Down: Indigenous People and the Establishment of Kingston, 1783."

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## JANUARY MEETING

Deb McAuslan addressed the topic of "Palatines: Refugees from a Different Time". It was interesting to hear the parallel experiences of the Palatines and today's refugees: initially welcomed in England but then complaints arose about them taking work from native-born citizens. And when several thousand were sent to Ireland (to "dilute" the Roman Catholic population) and several more



thousand were sent to New York colony (to produce pitch and tar for the English Navy), the lack of support from the British government meant that these plantations were not successful.

As Deb outlined the migration process of the Palatines – sailing down the Rhine in 1709 to Rotterdam, waiting for transport to

England, being housed in old warehouses in London – we got a sense of how desperate these folks must have been, to leave their farms and vineyards which had been ruined by a combination of bad winter and French military invasions. There was also the positive pull of British propaganda: a book published in the German language which was actively distributed in

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the Palatinate by British agents, extolling the virtues of farming in the Carolina colony. Although the Palatines did not end up in Carolina, the "Golden Book" had a strong attraction for many of those who sailed in small boats down the Rhine.

We then learned that those destined for America spent four or five months aboard ship in British ports before even sailing across the Atlantic: the toll of disease and death was high, so those of us who are descended from Palatines who made it to the New World are fortunate even to be here.

Before her talk, Deb distributed an envelope to each audience member. On the outside were three or four lines telling you that you were now a Palatine person found in the records. After her talk Deb encouraged us to open our envelope and learn what happened to that person. Here are a few of the stories:

You are Anna Elisabetha Fuchs age 14. You have just gotten married to Johann Peter Dygert in Niederbieber, Germany. You are both so excited to start a new life in America. Having both sets of parents coming too makes you feel things will all work out.

Your first child David was born on the trans-Atlantic voyage, but fortunately you both did well. Life was rough in the naval camps, but you were blessed with 11 children in 20 years. You died in 1752 in German Flatts, New York, at the age of 57. You are Deb's 7<sup>th</sup> great grandmother.

You are Johann Christopher Fuchs age 25, from Niederbieber, Fulda, Hessen, Germany. You are travelling with your parents Johann Philip Fuchs and Anna Catharine Neitzert and several siblings.

The Fuchs/Fox family stayed either on Nuttin Island or in New York City until between October and December when they went up the Hudson River to Livingston Manor. This time only 7 List Masters were chosen, one for each tar camp. You were chosen as list maker for Haysbury on the East side of the river (now called Germantown). A paper you signed about this time indicates that you could read and write. During 1711 you acted as captain of some 300 volunteers to fight the French. After this aborted campaign you were dismissed without pay and returned to find that the family had not been fed. You and five others went to the Schoharie Valley to buy land from the Indians in the winter of 1712. Later that year you and your brother William founded Fuchsdorf on Fox Creek (near present site of Village of Schoharie). You soon thereafter erected a grist mill. You were considered the founder of the "Red Fox" line because of your stubborn and headstrong nature. Because of land title problems in Schoharie the family moved to lot #26 in Burnetsfield Patent on south side of the Mohawk River (present-day German Flatts) on 4-30-1725. You married Johanna Elizabeth Korsing 16 Oct 1711 in German Flatts and had three children together. After her death you married Catherine Bellinger and had five children together. You died on October 16, 1767, in German Flatts, New York, having lived a long life of 83 years. You are Deb's 8<sup>th</sup>-great uncle.

You are Nicholas Stahring age 46. You are married to Anna Elisabeth Barckey and have four children Peter age 23, Adam age 21, Valentine age 14 and Frederick age 9. You are hoping for land for your sons and a better life in America.

It is unknown if Anna died before or during the trip to America, but we do know that 1710 subsistence lists you as a widower with 2 children. Peter and Adam would have been considered adults. In 1710 you marry to Maria Catherine. In 1712 you are listed as 2 adults and 2 children under 10 ... these are your children Anna Margaretha b. 1711 and Nicholas b. 1712. You had 6 children together with Maria Catherine. You were a brickmaker. It is said you died at age 96 at German Flatts.

You are Maria Margaretha Glock/Klock age 37. You are travelling from Meisenheim, Rhineland-Palatinate, Germany with your husband Hendrick/Henry age 41 and your children Barbara age 12 and George age 1.

It is not known if there were other children travelling with you that died. Henry Glock is on the New York subsistence list of 1710-1712. In 1710 his family consists of 1 adult and 3 children (so it is presumed he was widowed as his son Johannis was born in 1710 – so you died after this birth). In 1712 there are 2 adults and 2 children. Henry married Maria Margaretha Schopferin about 1711 in West Camp, New York and possibly married a 3rd time as well and had several more children. He died in 1760 in St Johnsville, New York, at the impressive age of 92, and was buried there. The Klock and Nellis (also Palatines) family intermarried several times. Henry is Deb's 7th great grandfather.

Take note that none of these Palatine individuals were Loyalists, since they died in New York province prior to the American Revolution.

Basic Conclusion: Not all those of Palatine descent became Loyalists. Many of Palatine descent, mostly from the next generation, did become Loyalists but there is no hard-and-fast rule.

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From the Knittle work, Deb was able to get names from 5 sailings from Rotterdam to London – from May to July 1709. Also other lists:

- Aug 1708 some names of the first Palatines that went with Kockerthal
- Palatines remaining in New York, 1710
- Palatine families, West of the Hudson River, 1710
- Palatine Children Apprenticed by Governor Hunter 1710-1714 (most were 1710-11)

• The New York Subsistence List – list shows head of household and you can compare adults versus children under ten in 1710 to 1712

Deb also recommended some historical fiction, to get the sense of the Palatine experience: Gilmour, Kay Ellen. (2011). *Winter's Wrath: The Palatine Journey, Part One* Gilmour, K. (2011). *Charity's Chains* Gilmour, K. (2015). *Fame's Fate: The Palatine Journey: Part Three* (Vol 3) - all available at Amazon.

In discussion afterward, Anne Redish shared the title of another historical novel that ends up in the Kingston area: *Road to Ganneious* by Gerald Richardson Brown. "This story, told through fact and fiction, is about the life and times of the ancestors of one Canadian family in their journey from deep in the mountains of Austria (in the European wars from 1620 onward) to the shores of Hay Bay on Lake Ontario. This is the story of one immigrant family but it portrays the heartaches and hardships of many thousands of Euro-American peoples who came to a land they thought of as a wilderness but eventually became their home." Conundrum Press, Greenwich, Nova Scotia, 2012, ISBN 978-1-894994068-2, <u>http://www.conundrumpress.com</u> (Ganneious is the name of a former Native village near Hay Bay, in the settlement township Cataraqui #3).

## **CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION**

Branch Genealogist Anne Redish was pleased to present Loyalist Certification to Christopher Roney, who is descended from John William Clement, UE of Ernestown. Sharing the happy moment are Branch Chair Peter Milliken (left) and Gerry Roney (right), Branch Treasurer and Chris' father.





Animated discussions taking place as members finished their lunch and lingered over coffee before the meeting started.

Informal conversation often leads to making a connection – for example, on this day a visitor interested in Switzer family was directed to speak to two branch members who are Switzer descendants.

Photos: Nancy Cutway UE

### Orphan Children

For purposes of the envelopes she distributed, Deb included details about several young children. Because their parents were not known to her, for dramatic purposes she picked appropriate names for parents and then crafted stories about the parents dying on the voyage. In reality, they were just a few of the children bound to work as apprentices on arrival in New York. The full list is found in *Documentary History of New York*, E. B. O'Callaghan, (c)1849, Vol. III, pg 566-567.

Year	Date	Name	Age	Parents	Bound to	Place
1714	5/5	Angell, Mary	11	orphan	Willocks, Geo	Elizabethtown
1712	5/22	Angle, Anna Elizth	5	orphan	Salisbury, ffrancis	Catskill
1711	2/19	Angle, Anna Maria	8	orphan	Robinson, Mary	New York
1711	2/19	Angle, Christian	12	orphan	Elmes, James	New York
1710	9/21	Artopee, Daniel	12	orphan	Johnson, Jno	New York
1710	11/6	Berliman, Jacob	10	Berliman, John	Wileman, Henry	New York
1711	4/19	Berliman, jacob	11	Berliman, John	Kay, Nathl	Rhode Island
1710	11/20	Brilman, Magdalen	12	orphan	Symes, Lancaster	New York
1711	3/21	Bruere, James	14	orphan	Van Dam, Rip	New York
1710	10/23	Castnor, Jerit	13	orphan	Hawdon, Michl	New York
1710	10/18	Conearhart, John	9	Otteene, Margt	Walter, Robt	New York
1710	9/22	Coous, Hans Jerick	6	orphan	Mulford, Saml	East Hampton
1710	9/25	Creiner, Adam	13	Creiner, Anna Maria	Hunt, Jos Jr	Westchester
1711	4/17	De Mott, Peter	13	orphan	Wyckoff, Cornelis	Flatlands
1710	9/22	Denbig, Jno Paul	7	orphan	Phillips, S.	New York
1710	9/26	Drum, Anna Cathrina	11	Drum, Magdalen	Droilhet, Paul	New York
1710	9/22	ffleacoons, Hans	15	orphan	Heathcote, Caleb	Scarsdale
1710	9/14	ffrederick, George	13	Weiser, Conrad	Smith, S.	Smithtown
1710	10/16	Gatian, Hans Bastian	12	Bastian, Sara Catrin	Elsworth, Geo	New York
1710	9/25	Harber, Anna	9	orphan	Jorissen, Rem	Near the Ferry, Kings
1710	9/26	Harmin, Anna Maria	14	orphan	Van Hook, Laurce	New York
1710	9/26	Harmin, Susan Maria	7	orphan	Hood, Jasper	New York
1710	10/18	Haver, Anna Catrina	10	Otteene, Margt	Goelet, Jacob	New York
1711	6/2	Helm, Simon	12	Helm, Peter	Rutsen, John	Kingston

Palatine	Children	Apprenticed	by Governor	Hunter	1710-1714
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... To be continued in next issue of the Crier.

## LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES NEWS

Local area members were notified in November of the imminent closure of the **Anglican Diocese** of **Ontario Archives** because the building at 90 Johnson Street was sold. A few rushed to copy records while they were still available, fearing they would never again be available.

The Archives have now been moved to a temporary location, with a small team of dedicated volunteers making sure the boxes were well organized before and after the move. The building has been leased for one year, and apparently discussions are underway for a more permanent solution. At this point the website reads,

The Anglican Diocese of Ontario Archives is temporarily closed and will reopen at a later date in 2017 as of yet to be determined. Inquiries may still be directed via email to <u>archives@ontario.anglican.ca</u>.

Meanwhile, a reminder that our Kingston and District Branch Library holdings, which are on permanent non-circulating loan to Kingston Frontenac Public Library so that it's easier for us all to access them, may now be found at the Isabel Turner Branch, 935 Gardiners Road, Kingston. The Central Branch closed in November for extensive renovations, expected to last about 18 months. You can always check the open hours of the branch at <u>https://www.kfpl.ca/hours-and-locations/isabel-turner-branch</u>

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## WHY U.E. AND NOT U.E.L.

The following explanation is the best I have read. I quote excerpts from Wikipedia:

**United Empire Loyalists** (or "Loyalists") is an honorific given in 1789 by Lord Dorchester, the governor of Quebec and Governor-General of British North America, to American Loyalists who resettled in British North America during or after the American Revolution. ... Following the end of the Revolution and the signing of the Treaty of Paris in 1783, both Loyalist soldiers and civilians were evacuated from New York City, most heading for Canada. ... Realizing the importance of some type of recognition, on November 9, 1789, Lord Dorchester declared "that it was his Wish to put the mark of Honour upon the Families who had adhered to the Unity of the Empire." As a result of Dorchester's statement, the printed militia rolls carried the notation:

"Those Loyalists who have adhered to the Unity of the Empire, and joined the Royal Standard before the Treaty of Separation in the year 1783, and all their Children <u>and their</u> <u>Descendants</u> by either sex, are to be distinguished by the following Capitals, affixed to their names: **U.E.** alluding to their great principle The Unity of the Empire."

For the full article, please see: <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United\_Empire\_Loyalist</u>

### Lorraine Sherren, UE

## I HAVE MY U.E. CERTIFICATE - NOW WHAT?

You have worked hard to prove your descent from a Loyalist. When you attend our meetings, you can proudly wear your name badge showing the name of your Loyalist ancestor(s) for all to see. Maybe someone else at the meeting is also pursuing their certificate from that ancestor. You have just found a new relation! We also have 'UE' pins for sale that you can proudly wear on your lapel.

This certificate also gives you the right to use the post-nominal "UE" after your name. As mentioned by Peter Newman at his book launch, I quote from Nancy Cutway's write-up: "the post-nominal designation of 'UE' is the only honour granted in Canada which can be passed down through the generations, and that all those who have proved their descent from a Loyalist should write it proudly after their name." For those of you who already have post-nominals (university degrees, etc.), there is a specific order in which they should be displayed. They are grouped into eight categories and, interestingly, the 'UE' is listed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> group, ahead of your university degrees. There are several sites on the web detailing the list. The most concise one I found can be located at: <u>http://toronto.heraldry.ca/misc/glossary.htm</u>

Under the heading "Post-Nominals and Forms of Address" it states, and I quote:

In formal correspondence, the sequence of post-nominal letters used after a name have a specific order of precedence. The letters are grouped into several categories, and are then organized into precedence within each category. The categories, in order, follow immediately after "Bt" or "Bart" (for Baronets) or "Esq" (for untitled gentlemen), if applicable, and are as follows:

- 1. Orders and decorations conferred by the Crown (see below)
  - (a) National Orders
  - (b) Provincial Orders
  - (c) Decorations
- 2. Appointments in the following order: Privy Counsellor, Aide de Camp to The Queen (or to the Governor General or to the Lieutenant Governor), Honorary Physician to The Queen, Honorary Surgeon to The Queen, Honorary Dental Surgeon to The Queen, Honorary Nursing Sister to The Queen and Honorary Chaplain to The Queen: *PC, ADC* (or *AdeC*), *QHP, QHDS, QHNS* and *QHC*.
- Queen's Counsel, Justice of the Peace, Deputy Lieutenant and (in Canada) Unity of Empire (for member of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada): *QC*, *JP*, *DL* and <u>*UE*</u>.
- 4. University degrees.
- 5. (a) Religious Orders(b) Medical Qualifications
- 6. (a) Fellowships of learned societies
  - (b) Royal Academicians and Associates
  - (c) Fellowships, memberships, etc. of professional institutions, associations, etc.
  - (d) Writers to the Signet: WS.

- 7. Members of Parliament, Members of Provincial Parliament, Members of the National Assembly (Québec) and Members of Legislative Assemblies: *MP*, *MPP*, *MNA* and *MLA*.
- 8. Membership of one of the Armed Forces or Corps (e.g. Royal Navy: *RN*, Royal Canadian Armoured Corps: *RCAC*).

Note: I have highlighted the 'UE' for effect.

To give you an example, our Branch President, Peter Milliken, who was for a long time Speaker of the House in our House of Commons, writes his name: The Hon. Peter Milliken UE, BA, LLG, MA(OXON), LLD, MP.

I invite you to use your post-nominal 'UE' when writing your name. Spread the word on how proud you are to be a descendant of a United Empire Loyalist.

Loyally yours, Lorraine Sherren, UE

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## **PINS FOR SALE**

We have recently uncovered a selection of UELAC pins which we are offering for sale at a reduced price. They will be available at our next meeting. The supply is limited, so it will be on a first come/first served basis:

- UE pin w/butterfly fastener ... \$5.00 (14 available)
- Blue Badge Pin w/butterfly fastener ... \$6.00 (8 available)
- Blue Badge Pin (brooch) ... \$6.00 (5 available)
- Blue Badge Pin as a pendant ... \$6.00 (5 available)
- White Badge Pin (brooch) ... \$6.00 (only one left)

Descriptive pictures of the badges can be found on the UELAC web site: <u>http://www.uelac.org/promotion/items/pins.php</u>

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## TOONIE CHALLENGE

No, you don't have to dump a bucket of ice over your head. Did you know that the UELAC has a Loyalist Scholarship Endowment Fund? The gauntlet has been dropped, challenging all branches to collect 150 toonies as a fundraiser for the fund, in honour of **Canada150**. We collected 12 toonies at our last meeting. Now we have until July 1<sup>st</sup> to collect 138 more toonies! Bring your toonies with you to our March meeting; bring them to our June Luncheon. If we all make the effort to contribute, we can do it! Our out-of-town members or those who can't attend our meetings are invited to send in their contribution by cheque.

## PROJECTS

Time for a reminder ... we hope everyone is working away on their contributions to our various projects. These ones don't require money, just a little bit of your time.

### **1** Loyalist Ancestors of Kingston Branch Members – see http://www.uelac.org/Kingston/branch\_ancestors.php

This is just an index which can let others contact you about your (possibly) shared UEL ancestor.

We still have only 16 names listed by eight members. To add your name and information, please write to <u>kingston.uelac@gmail.com</u>

## **2** CANADA 150 Loyalist Stories

Not yet on our branch website, because our webmaster wants to have at least 10 stories attached when the page is posted. We're not asking for full family histories, just short stories or anecdotes about a Loyalist ancestor or family. We're hoping to get 150 by the end of 2017, in celebration of Canada's Sesquicentennial.

When you've written up your paragraph or page, send it to the webmaster at <u>Kingston.uelac@gmail.com</u>

## **3** World War I Victims – Descendants of Irish Palatines

Not a project of our branch, but one that welcomes input from anyone who can contribute the story of any descendant of Irish Palatines who was killed in World War I. Sponsored by the Irish Palatine Special Interest Group (IP-SIG) of the Ontario Genealogical Society. There is a form that guides you through the information requested which delineates the man's descent from a Palatine – and in our case it would be a Loyalist family of Irish Palatine descent. Just another way to demonstrate how important the Loyalists were to the development of Canada. Details can be found at <a href="https://ip-sig.ogs.on.ca/">https://ip-sig.ogs.on.ca/</a>

And if you submit a story that has Loyalist connections, please send us a copy as well.

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## WELCOME NEW MEMBER

We welcome Alex Ross of Amherstview, ON, a descendant of Jacob Bonesteel UE of Edwardsburgh and Mountain Township. Alex has previously obtained his certification through another branch, before he moved to the Kingston area.

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Saturday, March 18, 2017, 10:00 am** – Kingston Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society meets at the Seniors Centre, 56 Francis Street, Kingston. Speakers Lesley Anderson and Glenn Wright on "Creating Ontario: Immigration to Upper Canada and Canada West, 1791-1867".

**WORKSHOP ON COMPLETING APPLICATION FOR U.E. CERTIFICATION** – sponsored by Dominion Genealogists, and Bay of Quinte Branch UELAC.

**Saturday April 8, 2017, 10 am – 3 pm**, Frankford Masonic Hall, 33 King Drive, Frankford, Ont, \$10.00. Bring your own bagged lunch. Group and individual help will be available.

This will help anyone with their research and Certificate applications. Numerous Genealogists will be onsite. Bring your records and laptop (and perhaps an extension cord; it's not clear where the outlets will be in relation to tables).

**Central East Regional Meeting.** JUNE, 2017. A first in many years!! Planning is underway for a Regional General Meeting, with a speaker, and workshops. Our President will be in attendance, and due to her schedule it will be held in the Kingston area either June 20 or 21, just prior to the UELAC Conference in London Ont. Make it your Personal Mini-Conference if you are not going to London. Set aside those days, and final plans will be announced soon. Fees will be minimal or none.

**UELAC Conference 2017 "Discover Your Roots": Jun 22-25, 2017**, at the Delta Armoury Hotel in London, ON, co-hosted by London & Western Ontario Branch and Grand River Branch. Mark your calendars now! And see the UELAC website <u>http://www.uelac.org/conference/conference.php</u> for details. Highlights can include either

© the "London Tour" which plans to visit the Old Middlesex Courthouse, the 1st Hussars Museum, Museum London, Eldon House and the Royal Canadian Regiment Museum. (Note: Lunch will be "On-your-own", at one of London's numerous excellent close-by eateries like the upscale 'London Farmer's Market'. Dining coupons will be in your registration 'Swag Bag'; or

© the "St. Thomas Tour" which plans to visit the Old St. Thomas Church and Pioneer Cemetery, St. Thomas Railway Museum, Elgin Military Museum, (and the St. Thomas Elevated Park - tentative). The tour will include lunch at the beautiful historic Knox Presbyterian Church. Book soon to obtain the options and rooms you desire.