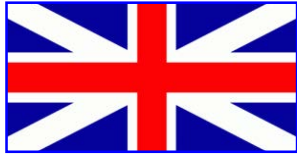


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NEXT MEETINGS

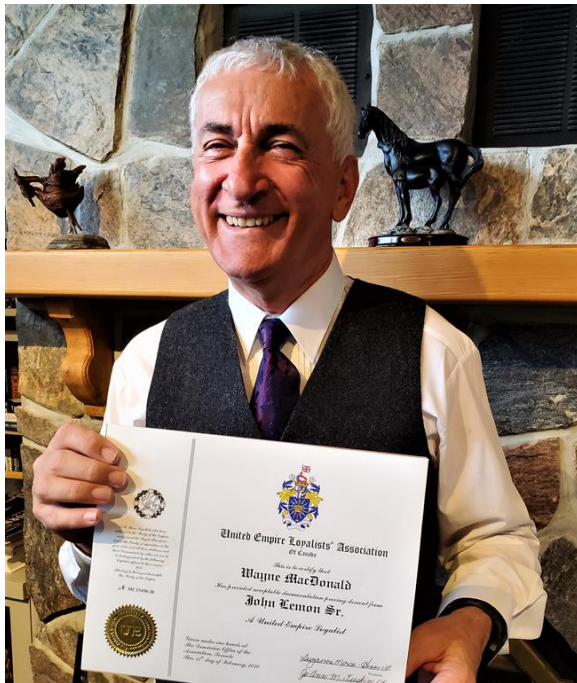
September 26. Jennifer McKendry. "Early Buildings of the Kingston Area"

November 29: Sue Bazely. A report from the Lower Burial Ground archeological excavation going on under St. Paul's Parish Hall. Watch our website www.uelac.org/Kingston-Branch for details, once the general isolation rules are lifted. Meanwhile, please stay at home so you and all those you love will remain healthy.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2020 MEETING

was cancelled. If the meeting had proceeded, it would have included presentation of a Loyalist Certificate to Wayne MacDonald of Muskoka. Wayne is a descendant of John Lemon UEL.

Since we couldn't get to know Wayne in person at this time, he has graciously written the following account of his Loyalist descent and his research into it. He also sent along this photo showing his delight when he received his certificate by mail.



MY LEMON ANCESTRY by Wayne MacDonald UE

My quest to find more about my ancestry started about 2008 after I retired from 30 years in public service to the Crown.

When I was a young teen in the 1960s, my aunt told me of our family emigrating from Greenock, Scotland and that we were of Clan Ranald. At that time, I didn't appreciate the rich history that was waiting to be discovered in my retirement.

My genealogical research was augmented with a series of Y-DNA tests I ordered. The tests confirmed my Clan Ranald lineage and provided a

segue into joining several surname DNA projects. It was through the projects and autosomal-DNA results that genetic matches started to present themselves on my results pages.

It was at this time I started to really make some headway in my ancestry research. I knew that my paternal great-grandfather **Ranald MacDonald** had married **Mary Lemon** and that they had resided in Glengarry Ontario. I had little knowledge of my Lemon family until my autosomal DNA results began to show me strong genetic matches with people related to my Lemon family.

With the aid of Mike, a professional genealogist and husband of my first cousin, I was able to collaborate with him in discovering the address and available records concerning Mary Lemon and her UEL grandfather **John Lemon Sr.**

Then one day, two years ago, I contacted a newly discovered fourth cousin, Edward Lemmon of Hull, PQ. Edward was a strong genetic match to me and we shared information about our family. To my delight, Edward confirmed the address of the Lemon homesteads in Lochiel Twp. and Lancaster Twp. of Glengarry. He also informed me that his uncle still lives on the 1st concession of Lochiel close to the old family farm and that he and his father had demolished the original log home in the early 1960s.

Edward's grandfather had married **Hannah Potter** whose great-grandfather was **Abraham Peter Mabee UEL** son of **Peter Mabee UEL**.

My great-grandparents Ranald and Mary had a son Daniel (Donald) born in Prescott, East Hastings in 1870. Daniel married **Josephine Shorey** (Charest) and they had a candy shop at 101 Balliol Street in Kingston. Daniel became a train engineer with the Grand Trunk Railway at the Stanley Barracks and moved when needed from Hamilton, Lindsay, Kingston and Toronto.

The Lemon surname has been spelled in various ways as some of my cousins have the spelling as Lemmon, Lyman, Lamon, Lamond and Lomond etc. I believe this is the result of the English ear and the Gaelic tongue in some circumstances and the fact that not all of our early settlers were literate.

The Lemon name can be traced back to Clan Lamond who were Royalist supporters in the 1600s. In 1636, Sir James Lamont was plotting for the "**Royalist**" cause with other clan chiefs including my 5th cousin 7 times removed Sir Donald Gorm Og MacDonald the 8th of Sleat. Sir James also came out in support of the Marquess of Montrose and again later in support of my 3rd cousin 8 times removed, Sir Alasdair MacColla MacDonald of Colonsay.

Prior to 1746 my ancestors were fiercely loyal to the Royalist cause but in the proceeding few years after the battle of Culloden (1746) my MacDonald/MacDonell, Lemon, MacDougal and Cameron ancestors turned their loyalties from the Jacobite cause to the Crown. Many were veterans of the American Revolutionary War and the War of 1812, and my father James and some of his brothers were veterans of WW2.

I have a rare copy of the Historical Atlas of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry 1879, in which my Lemon family name is spelled both Lemon and Lamond in relation to my Lemon family farm lots in the townships of Glengarry.

I would like to express great gratitude for the patient and helpful guidance of Anne Redish UE of our Branch in pointing me in the right direction for my UE quest which has bolstered my deep

appreciation of my Loyalist history -- which has now become an obsession! Now I look forward to discovering more Loyalist connections.

Wayne MacDonald UE
Muskoka, Ontario

Wayne also wrote, "I was contacted today from a cousin Francisco Conte MacDonell of South America after I posted the picture on my FaceBook page. He is a direct descendant of Capt. Alexander MacDonell UE. who in 1773 was an emigration leader from Fort William, Inverness-shire, Scotland (along with his brothers on the Pearl) to Sir William Johnson's Estate in the Mohawk Valley of the British Province of New York. Captain Alexander was Francisco's 3rd GGF. Francisco's 2nd GGF was Sir Hugh MacDonell ESQ of Aberchalder; Consul Gen. of Algiers. Francisco has a number of heirlooms and original records in his possession from the family and he wants me to provide him with information on how to get his UE certification. Francisco said he has three UE lines."

The fact that Francisco lives in South America demonstrates how widely Loyalist descendants have spread around the world. We hope he too will eventually join us, through the electronic means that are keeping us all in touch while keeping our distance.



A SPECIAL OFFER

FOR SALE: "Loyalist Gazette" -- Complete set, Volume 1 (1963) through Volume 57 (2019). Vols 1 to 15, 16 to 25 hard bound. Includes Indexes for volumes from 1963 through 1993; indexes for 1963 through 1988 hard bound. Best offer. 613-536-1629

NOTE: This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to obtain a complete collection of the Loyalist Gazette. Act quickly if you want a chance to bid for it.



FROM OUR ARCHIVES

Membership Chair Lorraine Sherren UE has been using her extra spare time to go through several boxes of branch materials passed along to her by her predecessor when she became Membership Chair.

We have no idea who created this image, whether a member of Kingston and District Branch or a member of some other branch who shared them with us. Regional Vice-President Anne Redish UE points out that some of the branches represented among the member "ships" no longer exist. Perhaps a careful inspection of the branch names will help someone work out the time period of the design of the Fleet.

The poet, Shirley Dargatz UE, is a member of Chilliwack Branch in British Columbia. We believe she also contributed the sketches of "Member Ships".



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ABEGWEIT



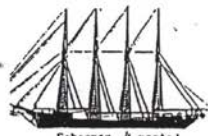
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BAY of QUINTE



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THOMPSON - OKANAGAN



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ST. LAWRENCE



Brig
BICENTENNIAL



Brig
VICTORIA



Brig
SIR GUY CARLETON



Ship, Full-rigged
REGINA



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SIR JOHN JOHNSON CENTENNIAL.



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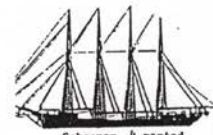


Ship, Full-rigged
MANITOBA



Schooner, 4-masted
COL. EDWARD JESSUP

MEMBER SHIPS



Schooner, 4-masted
LONDON + WESTERN ONTARIO



Ship, Full-rigged
COL. JOHN BUTLER



Ship, Full-rigged
HALIFAX - DARTMOUTH



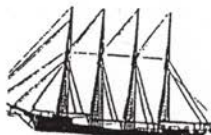
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Brig
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SIMCOE HERITAGE



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KINGSTON + DISTRICT



Brig
EDMONTON



Brig
KAWARTHA

ODE TO MEMBERSHIP

**M - is for our Members, We hold so very dear,
It's up to us to court them, Each and every year.**

**E - is for the Empire, In unity we stand,
To call forth all those people, Who founded our great land.**

**M - is for the Membership, The key to our existence,
Seek out your family, friends, and foe, And others who have
prominence.**

**B - is for the Branches, Who faithfully trudge on,
To keep our legacy alive, Our work is never done.!**

**E - It's up to Everyone, To Excite the troops to action!
The inheritance is left to us, To uphold our main attraction.**

**R - Is for the Royal Decree, That honoured our forefathers,
Their struggle was for our domain, In their name ,we therefore gather.**

**S - Seek out the folks you know, Then search for other Loyalists,
They're in the millions as we know, And we can be the catalyst.**

**H - Together Hand-in-Hand, We keep alive our Heritage,
By Honouring our UE line, We vindicate our parentage.**

**I - Invite, Involve, Inform, Pass on the Information,
We have a treasure to bestow, On those with ears that listen.**

**P - Potential Members, Abound in many places,
Publicize, Promote, and Plan, And cover all the bases!**

Shirley Dargatz UE

ANCESTRY® LIBRARY EDITION

Have you been using this time of isolation to work on your family history? For those who live within Frontenac County, Ancestry.com Library Edition is available from home right now. Normally it's only accessible in-library but during this closure you can log in free, using your KFPL library card number and 4-digit PIN.

1. Visit library webpage <https://www.kfpl.ca/>
2. Hover your mouse over Online Resources and Recommendations
3. Choose All Online Resources
4. Click on the title: Ancestry Library Edition
5. Type your KFPL library card number and PIN.
6. Click Begin Searching.

If you don't have a library card, or if your card has expired, please use the Contact Us link on the library home page. In your message, please include:

Full name as it appears on your ID.

Full address including postal code.

Email address / Phone number / Branch closest to you

Local History & Genealogy Librarian Joanne Stanbridge has also recorded three videos for those who are new to Ancestry Library Edition. You will find these on the KFPL YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/user/kfplweb/>. More videos are on the way.

(For those living elsewhere than Frontenac County, check with your local library; many are making Ancestry Library Edition available to their users from home.)

OTHER ONLINE EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

Looking for educational opportunities, perhaps to improve your knowledge of some groups of records or your understanding of pre-Loyalist groups in early New York or New England?

MUCH material is going online during this pandemic. From the comfort of your home office or your couch, dressed up or in your pajamas, you can participate in online meetings and webinars. Going to one is easy:

- Once you read an invitation to a meeting on a web page, or receive one as an email, you should find a link on the page that says "Register here". When you click that link, you are usually taken to a web page that will ask for your name, your email address, and perhaps what country you are in (but never your full address).
- When you complete that registration form and click Submit (and note, you may need to put a tick into a box beside the words "I am not a robot"; this is referred to as a "captcha") you will receive an emailed Confirmation. Keep this email where you can find it on the day of the event.
- About 10 minutes before specified time on day of the session, open that Confirmation Email. There will be a Join Here button or a link reading "Click Here to Join". Click it.
- The meeting software (Zoom, GoToWebinar, Join.me, GoogleGroups or whatever the host is using) will open. If you have not used the software before and it is not installed on the computer, tablet or phone you are using (i.e. where your email is residing), you will be prompted to download and install the free software. It only takes a minute or so, but this is why it is recommended that you log in a few minutes ahead of the start time.
- You need to have a speaker or headphone attached to the device so you can hear the lecturer, but you do not need to have a microphone or camera. In fact, if your device *has* a camera and microphone, the host will usually ask you to mute them (and perhaps will mute you by default) – this helps to conserve bandwidth for the presentation. If you want

to participate in a discussion (asking questions after the talk, etc.) there will be a Chat box somewhere on your screen, where you can type in your questions. The speaker and/or host will see them and can respond.

- Where do I find out what talks are happening?

<https://familytreewebinars.com/> - Legacy Family Tree is offering a free pre-recorded webinar every day in May while we're all locked down.

Ontario Ancestors (Ontario Genealogical Society) runs one new webinar on the first Thursday of each month. Previous ones can be watched if you're an OGS member. Browse the listing at <https://ogs.on.ca/past-webinar-recordings/>. Non-members can participate in the live webinars by registering ahead of time.

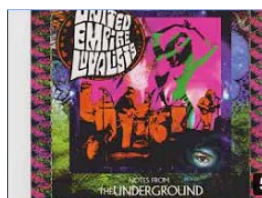
Family Search has an ongoing webinar program. View the schedule at https://www.familysearch.org/help/fhcenters/locations/library_class_schedule.

Recorded Videos

There are also lots of places to watch videos about all aspects of family history. These require no registration – just click on one and start watching, any time, day or night!

<https://www.ancestryacademy.com/browse> - Just scroll down the page to see what looks interesting.

<https://www.youtube.com/> - Type “genealogy” into the search box. You'll find hundreds to choose from. Or type “United Empire Loyalists” and see what you get ... including this:



... who knew that there was a psychedelic band from Vancouver, active between 1965 and 1969, called “United Empire Loyalists”? (not sure why the name).

Most other results for a search on “United Empire Loyalists” appear to be useful videos about applying for certification, or who the Loyalists are/were.



UELAC MERCHANDISE

Since we won't apparently be able to conduct our usual Loyalist Day in Kingston flag-raising on June 12th, perhaps you may want to raise your own Loyalist Flag on your own flagpole – or don a Loyalist shirt to display from your front porch. Perhaps put a Loyalist licence-plate holder on your car, to advertise UELAC to the car behind you in the drive-thru line.

Do keep in mind that you can order a wide variety of Loyalist-themed merchandise directly from the UELAC office. See <http://www.uelac.org/promotion/catalogue.php>.



ONTARIO HISTORY NOW ONLINE

The Ontario Historical Society (OHS) has announced that the entire run of over 120 years of the Society's *Ontario History* journal is now available online. The OHS has digitized the full text of over 2,000 articles and book reviews, making the archive the largest single collection of stories about Ontario's history. Everything from 1899 to 1915 (13 issues) and 2005 Autumn to 2018 (27 issues) is open access and free to read, the latter through OHS's partnership with not-for-profit digital publisher and scholarly disseminator Érudit.

Ontario History from 1916 to 2005 Spring (236 issues) is available to OHS Individual and Lifetime members on the OHS website as a new member benefit. They invite us to visit their website to become an OHS member and get year-round access to this unrivaled resource on the rich history of our province. Visit the Ontario History digital archive at <https://ontariohistoricalsociety.ca/back-issues/>. Who knows, your Loyalist ancestor may appear in an issue!

CENTRAL EAST REGIONAL MEETING APRIL 25, 2020

An on-line Zoom meeting was held on Saturday, April 25th in order to comply with UELAC recommendation that there should be a Regional Meeting once a year. Bridge Annex branch kindly permitted the Region to use their Zoom subscription. Sixteen people attended representing the nine branches in the Region.

Speakers included **David Smith** (Bay of Quinte Branch) and **Stuart Manson** (St. Lawrence Branch) who each spoke about their branch's Loyalist Cemetery Recognition projects, illustrated by a PowerPoint presentation. David directed our attention to www.gravesideproject.ca where the efforts of several branches to mark cemeteries that hold both UEL graves and those who served in the War of 1812 can be seen. David and his colleagues from the Canadian Fencibles/King's Royal Yorkers re-enactors are presently working with cemetery boards and municipal governments to add plaques to several cemeteries in Frontenac and Lennox & Addington Counties in the future. Stuart said that St. Lawrence Branch is working with historical groups to fund future plaques; they had hoped to do an installation in a cemetery in Iroquois this year, but that will likely not happen. Since the UELAC Conference will be in Cornwall in 2021, it is hoped that one or two plaque unveilings can be tied in to the time of Conference.

Anne Redish, Central East VP, shared brief announcements from Dominion including a short note re planning for Conferences 2021 (Cornwall), 2022 (Winnipeg) and 2023 (British Columbia). She asked if there were any nominations for the coming year's Regional Leadership (Regional Vice President and Regional Director). None were presented at the meeting, but anyone within the Central East Region may submit nominations up to the Virtual AGM that will be held on Saturday, June 27 (see President's letter on pages 9 and 10).

Doug Grant, Dominion Webmaster as well as editor of *Loyalist Trails*, spoke about the introduction of online membership renewal this past winter. This has permitted efficiencies and timeliness as well as improving accuracy when members handle the renewal themselves, as well as permitting the use of electronic payments. In future, it will enable the creation of a Members' Only section on the new website. There are still a few "bugs" to be worked out yet, such as using the online renewal for family memberships, but work is ongoing. Doug also asked for suggestions of the types of material that people would want to see on a Members Only site, apart from things like AGM materials, the *Loyalist Gazette*, and the Loyalist Directory (which is being rebuilt and redesigned). Branch members are encouraged to submit their ideas to Doug via loyalist.trails@uelac.org.

Kingston and District Branch, United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada

2020 Executive

President	Peter Milliken	Past President	Dean Taylor
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Merchandise	Alex Ross	Newsletter	vacant
Programme	Jean Rae Baxter	Publicity	Nancy Cutway
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April 29, 2020

Dear Branch Presidents:

Information to be forwarded to your Branch Members:

The UELAC AGM this year will be a virtual meeting on Saturday 27 June 2020 at **12:00 noon EDT**. The Notice of Meeting will be in the Gazette which is coming out in early May.

I would ask the Branches to please distribute this information to all their branch members through email lists, branch newsletters, or by whatever method you would normally use. It is important that you do so in the next couple of weeks before 15 May as there are early June deadlines for participation.

We will not be printing and mailing AGM packages. In the event that a member does not have a computer and requires a printed copy we will do our best to provide the documents, however our office remains closed due to the pandemic and it is expected that this will continue at least until early June.

The Notice of Meeting is available publicly on the homepage at www.uelac.ca

All additional information about the meeting is available at <https://uelac.ca/agm-2020/> by logging into the members section. At this point, all items are individually posted. Early in May, all items available at that time will be assembled into one document which will also be posted there, making it easier to download, file, print etc.

Please remember - you will need to log into the site before you can access the members' only section. The following message will be shown if you have not logged in. "Sorry, but you do not have permission to view this content." If you are a member, please log in and then click on the blue underlined link

If you have not been into the new site, I would ask that you go to www.uelac.ca and scroll about half way down the page to the "First Time Logging In?" and follow the instructions very carefully. You will need to enter your email address and then create and set a password. Once this is done you will be able to access the members' only section. The information in the AGM section is important to read as soon as you can as there are early June deadlines for participation.

All current members of the UELAC who are over 18 years of age are entitled to vote. Members may vote in person in the virtual meeting, may assign their vote to a proxy, or

choose not to be represented at all. Members who are not participating but wish to be represented may vote by proxy by completing, signing and dating the Proxy form and submitting to the Dominion Secretary. Depending on the designated proxy-holder, the proxy form MUST be received by the Dominion Secretary before a deadline date which can be as early June 7 and it can be sent to her either by email or post. Exact dates are included on the Proxy form.

For those wishing to attend and participate in the virtual AGM, the document "Confirmation of Participation" is required in order for you and each of your members to participate in the AGM." This document MUST be received by the Dominion Secretary no later than noon on June 19, 2020. It can be sent to her either by email or post. Once the document is received the Credentials Committee will confirm that the person is eligible to vote or in the case of a Proxy that the forms have been received.

You will receive an email invitation to attend the Virtual Meeting after June 19, 2020, and this invitation will provide you with a link to the meeting and a password.

We will also be posting a YouTube link to a video about how to join a meeting which you may wish to view if you have never attended a virtual meeting.

Should you have questions about this please do contact me.



Suzanne Morse-Hines UE

President UELAC