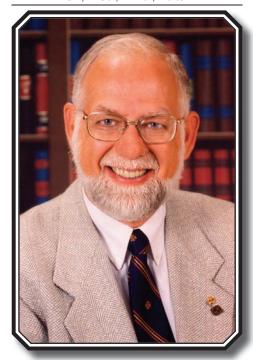


The Loyalist Quil

By Robert Collins McBride UE, B.Sc., M.Ed., Editor



s the Spring 2015 issue of The Loyalist Gazette goes to press, I find myself reflecting on the celebration-filled bicentennial year and the events reported in our pages, reflecting what has happened in 2014 across Canada. Books were written. films were created, monuments were refurbished and Loyalist heroes were given due recognition. Teamwork was evident in every Branch taking part in our celebrations. As a result, knowledge of Loyalist history has increased and new questions have been raised. Our collective knowledge about the Loyalist era has broadened, as seen in the pages of your Loyalist Gazette: a reflection of what readers have discovered and shared. We are the beneficiaries of the knowledge that has grown through collaboration across many borders.

Exploring areas previously unknown or newly discovered in European records has resulted in exciting drama based on Lawrence Hill's novel, The Book of Negroes, written in 2007. Out of knowledge comes understanding and out of understanding, new questions and areas for research.

As you may guess, I am enthusiastic about publishing anything that will advance our knowledge about the Loyalist era through the eyes of all who lived through this explosive time.

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Since the cost of postage has increased almost by half, the editorial team is very pleased that increased costs have not had to be passed on to you, the reader. We are, however, seeking advertisers at the attractive rates listed on page 11.

Our submission deadlines are: January 15th and August 1st. Please submit text as MS Word files and images in high resolution, including your phone number and e-mail address.

Our sincere thanks to the proofreading team for this issue:

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- Jacqueline Murdoch.

If you can help with this essential

task, please send me an e-mail.

Doug Grant UE is the editor of the excellent UELAC e-mail newsletter, Loyalist Trails. To subscribe, contact him at: loyalist.trails "at" uelac.org. All paid-for advertising for the Gazette should also be sent to Doug.

The Loyalist Gazette, "the window to the world for the UELAC," may contain viewpoints in some submissions that do not necessarily reflect the philosophy of the UELAC or this editor.

I am always thankful for your feedback and suggestions to ensure that we continue to maintain our high quality.

Remember:

Teamwork Encourages Active Members!

Loyally yours, Robert Collins McBride (Bob) UE, B.Sc., M.Ed., Editor.

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Dr. Mark Dickerson (a dentist), Major, 1st Regiment, Royal Scots (reenacted), Light Division, which he often commands at re-enactments. Mark, born in Thamesville, but resides in Chatham, Ontario, said: "My parents' farm where I grew up was next to the site of the Battle of the Thames. organized this battle's



bicentennial. I know I am descended from two Loyalists but haven't yet submitted my UE petition." Photo: Michael Johnson, Unexpected Co., 06 July 2014, Chippawa, Ontario.



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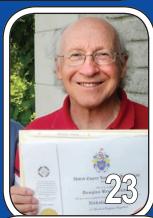
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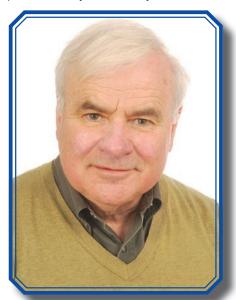
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Honorary UELAC President Receives Order of Canada

By Robert C. McBride UE, B.Sc., M.Ed., Editor of *The Loyalist Gazette*

On Friday, 26 December 2014, the Governor General of Canada, His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, announced ninety-five new appointments to the Order of Canada, including the President of Kingston and District Branch UELAC and Honorary President of the UELAC, The Hon. Peter Milliken UE, BA, LLG, MA (OXON), LLD, MP, for "his public service and for his commitment to parliamentary democracy."



Peter Milliken is a Special Advisor at Cunningham Swan Lawyers in Kingston, Ontario, where his extensive experience and judgment have placed him in a unique position to provide strategic advice and guidance on a broad range of issues that benefit the firm's clients.

Born and raised in Kingston, he is a graduate of Queen's University and Dalhousie University. Crossing the Atlantic, he earned a MA in Jurisprudence from Oxford University.

While a partner at Cunningham Swan, he was elected Member of Parliament for Kingston-and-the-Islands in 1988. Local voters returned him in 1993, 1997, 2000, 2004, 2006 and 2008, making him the longest-serving MP in Kingston's history.

In 2001, MPs elected Mr. Milliken as their Speaker. He was acclaimed to the prestigious and crucial House of Commons post in 2004. After the 2006 and 2008 general elections, Mr. Milliken was again elected speaker. In 2009, he surpassed the previous record and became the longest-serving Speaker in Canadian history.

Mr. Milliken retired from politics at the 2011 General Election, and in 2012, he was sworn in as a Member of the Privy Council. In addition to acting as Special Advisor to the Cunningham Swan Law Firm, Peter now serves Queen's University as a Fellow in the School of Policy Studies.

Hon. Peter Milliken, P.C.:

Education

- B.A. (Hon. Political Science and Economics), Queen's University Class of 1968
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- Oxford University Class of 1970
- M.A. Oxford University 1978
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- Call to the Bar 1973

Awards

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- Agnes Benidickson Award for contributions to Queen's University
- LLD, State University of New York (2001)
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- LLD, RMC (2013)

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- Honorary President of United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada
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- Law Society of Upper Canada
- Order of St. Lazarus, Grand Prior of Canadian Chapter
- Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada

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The President and Scholarship Committee members will review the application with its summary of intended study area and decide who should receive the award.

To be eligible:

- a) the student must intend to use the award in the academic year following the receipt of the award and use the money for fees and books;
- b) the student must provide a succinctly-written research proposal to the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada Scholarship Committee in which he/she sets forth his/her interest in the Loyalists before donation of the award. An interview may be scheduled.

Priority will be given to a student of proven Loyalist descent. The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada reserves the right to award the Scholarship at its sole discretion.

Preference may be given to students who have taken an undergraduate degree in history and to students at universities in Canada.

For more information about this scholarship and an application form please see the UELAC website: www.uelac.org/scholarship.php.

Application is due by 28 February each year, at Dominion Office (address above).

—Ray Cummings UE, Chairperson of the UELAC Scholarship.

UELAC People Behind the Scenes

Myrtle Elizabeth (Bellamy) Johnston UE UELAC Central East Regional Councillor

yrtle Johnston UE was born on 18 May 1932 in Kitley Township, Leeds County, close to Bellamy's Pond, the beautiful expanse of water, now a recreational area but originally formed by her great-grandfather to provide water power for his gristmill. Her parents, Harold Chauncey and Ethel (Gardner) Bellamy, were farmers and market gardeners. Myrtle was the youngest of their four children. There was plenty of opportunity through their school years to help at home.

Myrtle attended three different one-room rural schools for her Public School education and then received her Grade 13 graduation from Brockville Collegiate Institute and Vocational School. At Ottawa Normal School, she received her First Class Teaching certificate. She taught first in a one-room school and then in the first four-room school built in the Township of Elizabethtown. After several years as a stay-at-home mom, she began supply teaching, a pursuit she continued until past normal retirement age. After reluctantly giving that up, she volunteered in two different schools and did private tutoring.

Family history was a favourite topic of conversation among her parents, Grandmother Bellamy, and her aunts and uncles. From them she learned that her Buell ancestors were Loyalists, although the schools of the day did little to add to her knowledge about Loyalists. When her research began in earnest, she discovered that her Buell ancestor was not the well-known William Buell, founder of the nearby town of Brockville, but his unheard of brother, Bemslee, who married Lois, daughter of Thomas Sherwood, the first settler in Elizabethtown. That, however, was a number of years later when she learned of other Loyalist family connections such as the Munsells, Smiths, Churchills, Averys, Johns, and Brownsons.

In 1955, Myrtle married David Johnston and her teaching career was put on hold while they raised their three daughters and two sons on the 136-acre farm that they had purchased in the community known as *The Redan* in Elizabethtown. David was always employed in Brockville, but the acreage they owned was first a sheep farm and then a Christmas tree farm. Although a widow for almost thirty years, Myrtle still lives on the farm and prunes some Scotch pines for the few loyal customers who have not gone the way of the artificial tree. Now with three adult grandchildren, Myrtle is blessed that they and her children take an interest in family history and are supportive of her addiction to genealogy and Loyalism.

After attending several family reunions of her mother's family and having an aunt publish a Gardner family

history, Myrtle became interested in recording her paternal family history. Over fifty years later, this is still an ongoing project with countless binders, albums, files, and piles of information, as well as a huge number of entries on the Family Tree Maker computer program.

fought to make it viable once again

Learning through an item in the newspaper that the Colonel Edward Jessup Branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada had been formed in the area, Myrtle became a member. Through the years, she has held all the offices in the branch except Treasurer, including a number of years as President and many more as Genealogist. She especially enjoys assisting researchers in finding their Loyalist connections. During a period when the branch was in danger of folding, she, along with the late Edgar Clow and the late Florence Rowsome, successfully fought to make it viable once again. Myrtle's certificate bears the name of Bemslee Buell, while other members of the immediate family have his father, Timothy Buell, and his father-law, Thomas Sherwood, recorded as the Loyalist ancestor.

Volunteering with the Colonel Edward Jessup Branch UELAC has been both interesting and time consuming. Myrtle devoted innumerable hours to the two 2014 anniversary projects that the branch undertook. The first was the restoration of the Wiltse Pioneer Cemetery, where a pasture field was returned to a respectable resting place for early settlers, including members of the Loyalist Wiltse family. Nine years and a number of setbacks elapsed before the second project was completed but the branch is very proud of the book they compiled Still They Stand, showcasing old homes still being lived in, in Leeds and



Grenville Counties. At the Dominion level, she serves as Ontario East Regional Councillor.

Other volunteer work involves the Leeds and Grenville Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society, which Myrtle joined as a charter member not long after the UE branch had been formed. There she has served in several capacities, the most long-running being the production of their newsletter since its inception and now in its 41st volume. Along with her sister. Lorna, she has transcribed many of the over 200 cemeteries in the two Counties as well as faithfully doing duty at their Archives/Library in Brockville.

Addison United Church, a small community church near her home, is also an interest. She is presently a member of the Council, Chair of the Pastoral Care committee, and member of Church in Action Committee, while even being known to preach a sermon when necessary.

Afavourite project is gifting her children with family stories and pictures for Christmas or birthdays to ensure that those stories told to her long ago, or the experiences of their parents and grandparents, will not be lost at least for another generation.

All the contacts made and continuing to be made through the Loyalist Association and the Genealogical Society have made the pursuit of family history a marvellous experience. The people met, the stories of ancestors discovered, and the elusive family members still being pursued have each, in their own way, expanded her horizons far from that little home in Kitley where she was born.

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uelaePresident's Message

By Bonnie L. Schepers UE



Welcome to 2015!

In the spring of 2013, when I became Dominion President, we were on the brink of our "Big Year," the 100th anniversary of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada. For the UELAC, Celebration 2014 was the successful culmination of months of planning and preparation. We now look back at 2014 with satisfaction in successfully achieving our goal of celebration and commemoration. Thank you to everyone who participated through branch projects, at special regional events, and by attending the Centennial Gala held in Toronto during the 2014 UELAC Conference.

The term "Big Year" is used among birders as a personal challenge to see or hear the largest number of species of birds within a single calendar year and within a specific geographical area. As an amateur birder, I feel I can use the term as a metaphor for the accomplishments realized by our members in 2014 in every region across the country.

It was a privilege to be invited into your "branch" homes to share in the excitement generated during our anniversary year and, while 2014 will be remembered for its conviviality and ceremony, it was also a year of passage.

On 14 June 2013 the UELAC began operations under the new by-law passed at the 01 June 2013 AGM in Burlington, Ontario. An ad hoc policy committee was created to review and develop policy to support the new by-law. A number of these new and revised policies were approved at the 26 October 2013 Dominion Council meeting. Needless to say,

policy development, procedure, and revision of the Operations Manual remain an ongoing task. In addition, the By-law Committee has spent much of 2014 addressing the issue of proposed changes to proxy voting.

Since the adoption of Investment Policy Statements in December 2012, the past two years have shown positive results through active management of the UELAC accounts and funds.

2014 also saw *The Loyalist Gazette* go digital. We know how much members value our national publication. Now there is the added option to access the *Gazette* electronically.

Those of us involved in UELAC social media outreach see an increasing American interest in the Loyalist experience. Through Twitter, Facebook, and *Loyalist Trails*, we participate daily in a dynamic history network of professionals, writers, academics and heritage organizations. The use of Twitter alone has brought new members, newly recognized UEs, and volunteers to the UELAC.

"The best way to predict the future is to create it."

In October 2014 the Dominion Council executive met at George Brown House for our first strategic planning meeting to address the future of the UELAC. Coming out of that meeting, a number of committees were designated to review specific areas of concern within the Association. Topics for discussion included: Mission Statement; Membership; Communication/Youth Engagement; Leadership; and the Future of the UELAC.

Each of these initiatives is possible through the active participation of committed members, without whom the assured longevity of the UELAC would not be possible.

Like many volunteer organizations, we are in need of individuals willing to train with current executive members to actively take on committee responsibilities and advisory positions. Please consider how your skills can be put to use to support the growth of the UELAC in the coming years.

A quote credited to Abraham Lincoln advises, "The best way to predict the future is to create it." With our 2015 AGM just around the corner and new leadership in sight, I am confident that the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada is well-equipped to face the next one hundred years.



Audrey Ann McConnell UE (ancestor John Manzer) receives her Certificate of Loyalist Lineage from UELAC President, Bonnie Schepers UE, at the Pacific Region Celebration of the Fall Fleet and UELAC 100th Anniversary in Queen's Park, New Westminster, BC, on October 05, 2014.

Loyalists Come West 2015

UELAC Annual General Meeting, Victoria, BC, Canada, 28 – 31 May 2015

By the Conference Planning Committee 2015

Victoria's heritage architecture, colourful gardens, and fine British traditions, as in afternoon tea, mixed with a plethora of outdoor adventure, authentic culinary experiences, and an enviable cocktail and craft beer scene, will offer Conference attendees a playful environment after the business of the day.

Be sure to stay a few days pre- or post- conference to see all that there is while you tour the sites and attractions of beautiful Victoria, BC. Remember that the Coast Victoria Harbourside Hotel and Marina have guaranteed your conference room rate for three days pre-/post- conference.

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of specially blended Empress Tea to the freshly baked scones, served with Jersey cream and preserves. Conference Attendees will be presented in a relaxing atmosphere within the opulent Tea Lobby, the stately Harbourside Room or under the hand-painted ceiling of the Library Lounge. Afternoon Tea is an absolute "must do" for all who visit Victoria.

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For further information regarding accommodation, visit Tourism Victoria at: www.tourismvictoria.com. •••



NOTICE OF MEETIN

he Annual General Meeting of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada will be held on Saturday, 30 May 2015 at 9 a.m. at the Coast Victoria Harbourside Hotel, 146 Kingston St., Victoria, BC.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider the financial statements of UELAC; to elect directors; to receive the report of the auditors and re-appoint the incumbent auditors; and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada By-laws, Article III, Section 3.4 allows for each member to have one (1) vote.

UELAC members unable to attend the Meeting may vote by proxy. A proxy form will be available on-line or on request from Dominion Office. By completing, signing and dating this proxy form, any member of the UELAC may appoint a proxy holder to attend and act at any Meeting of the Members in the manner and to the extent authorized by this proxy. NOTE – To be valid, proxies must be deposited with the Dominion Secretary at the UELAC Dominion Office (see address below) no later than ten (10) calendar days prior to the Meeting. It is possible to e-mail a signed, scanned copy of proxy to Dominion Office or post by regular mail. No individual proxy holder may act as a proxy for more than five (5) members.

Copies of the Meeting agenda, financial statements, reports and motions to be brought before the meeting will be available on the UELAC website by April 30 2015. (Access instructions will be distributed by that date) and on request from Dominion Office.

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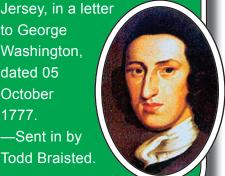
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> —Robert Collins McBride UE, B.Sc., M.Ed., (Bob) **UELAC Publications Chairperson and Editor of** The Loyalist Gazette

"A Tory is an incorrigible Animal: And nothing but the Extinction of Life, will extinguish his Malevolence against Liberty."

William Livingston, the Rebel Governor of New

Jersey, in a letter to George Washington, dated 05 October 1777. —Sent in by



Misener Family

Janet White UE, Vancouver Branch

Biking, with my 'Gears and Beers' friends around the Niagara Peninsula, September 2014, brought us past the resting place of my fifth-great-grandmother, Barbara Bender (1741-1821), in the Carl Misener Bald Loyalist Cemetery on the Welland Canal, at Port Robinson. She has the only complete stone marker out of 75 burials. (See photo). With Donna Kemp I also visited the largest collection pertaining to Barbara's husband, Leonard Misener UE (1744-1806). The shelf-long collection of the Misener Family is held in the Brant County Branch of OGS (Ontario Genealogical Society) on Powerline Road near Brantford, ON. Donna Kemp looks after the branch and the Misener Family Reunions.

Janet White UE with the "only complete stone marker" in Carl Misener Bald Loyalist Cemetery on the Welland Canal, at Port Robinson, Ontario.



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Loyalists March

Chippawa, Ontario, 06 July 2014. Photo: Michael Johnson



oyalists' March is a tune that appears in a book called <u>Chancel Echoes</u> <u>Book 27</u>. I found it while going through a box of my mother's old sheet music that had been kept in a wooden box in my basement since her death in 2000.

My mother was Marian Gilmore (nee Hoerner), (1921 – 2000) and, at one time, she was the pianist and organist for the City View United Church at 6 Epworth Drive in Nepean, Ontario. She was also the pianist for the Nepean Choir, a sixty-voice community choir, because she liked to play more than just church music. She had music that she inherited from several old relatives and friends, and much of that music was older than she was.

<u>Chancel Echoes Book 27</u> was part of a collection inherited from my great aunt, Muriel Clark (nee Gilmore), (1892 – 1981). Muriel had come to Ottawa from Toronto in 1922 and she was the pianist and organist for Knox Presbyterian Church at 120 Lisgar Street in downtown Ottawa near the present day location of Ottawa City Hall. In the collection was music for *Loyalists' March*.

The two big questions were: How did Muriel get hold of the *Loyalists'* March? — and — How old is it?

On the music itself I found a couple of clues. At the bottom of each page it says "(O & Co. 2027)." A visit to the head librarian at the University of Ottawa music library helped me interpret. It stands for Orsborn and Co., a printing firm that existed in London, England, in the 1800s. The number 2027 is a plate number which they assigned to this book. The name of the company was changed to Hopwood and Crew circa 1902, and so Chancel Echoes Book 27 had to have been published before 1902.

In the 1881 census of London, England, I found Samuel Orsborn, age 43, occupation: Beadle, a minor official in a church. He had a son, also named Samuel Orsborn, age 16, occupation: Compositor, a job in a print shop. They did not appear in any other census.



The entire Chancel Echoes series are books of twenty-four to thirty-two pages, with each book dedicated to the works of a single composer of church organ music. No copyrights were claimed because no profits were expected from music that was only to be played in church. Book 27 is dedicated to the works of James Robinson but his name was too common to trace him in London.

The other clue was stamped on page 1 of the book. The name of the music seller was J.L. Orme & Son of 8 Sparks Street, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. James Lawrence Orme first opened his store in Ottawa in 1861. At first he just sold woodwinds, pianos and organs, but in the 1870s he began selling sheet music. Aside from owning the store, he was also the pianist and organist at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church at 82 Kent Street at the corner of Kent and Wellington, just across the street from where they later built the Supreme Court of Canada.

J.L. Orme died in 1893 but his son continued the business under the same name until 1906 when the name was changed to Orme & Son. After that the business continued until the 1990s before they sold out to a big corporation. (For further information about this store refer to the internet or to the Canadian Encyclopedia because apparently this was one of the most famous music stores in Canadian history.)

After J.L. Orme's death in 1893, his sheet music probably stayed inside the bench of the organ at St. Andrew's Church and was passed on to the next organist and then to the next. There were only two big Presbyterian churches in downtown Ottawa and the two organists probably knew each other and occasionally got together to discuss music and trade with each other. That is probably how my great aunt Muriel came into possession of <u>Chancel</u> Echoes book 27.

At the British National Archives in London, England, they have some issues of <u>Chancel Echoes</u> but they are missing many. Their first three are: Book #2, Book #26 and Book #731. They know that #731 was published in 1943 but all they know about the others is that they are from the 1800s. More books were published after 1943 with the most recent being in 2013. There seems to be no music library in the entire world that has a copy of Book 27 and so I may have the only copy left.

We know that it had to have been sold in Ottawa between 1870, (when James Lawrence Orme began selling sheet music) and 1906, (when the name was changed to Orme & Son); and it had to have been published in London, England, before 1902. It seems most likely that it was published between 1881 and 1893. By calculation, it seems that they were publishing one book per month starting in 1881 and that accounts for #731 being published in 1943. That would indicate that Book 27 was published in 1883.

Since the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada is badly in need of a National March it might be a good idea to adopt this one.

About the Author

The Chronicles of Barry Gilmore UE, GG.

I was born in Ottawa and raised in the police village of City View in Nepean Township, Carleton County, Ontario. My mother told me that she was dusting under the bed one day and out I popped along with the dust bunnies. Boy was she surprised! I had my doubts about that but she was still sticking to the same story thirty years later.

I attended City View Elementary and Merivale High School. My post high school education includes a Graduate Gemologist's Diploma (G.G.) from the Gemological Institute of America (G.I.A.) in Carlsbad, California, and a Computer Programming Diploma from Algonquin College in Nepean, Ontario.

Over the years I've been a coin collector, rock collector, soap stone carver, Car Rally racer, lapidary, gemologist, and I've played in the Canadian National Chess Championships a few times but I never did any better than fifteenth. I also used to play banjo but I'm really rusty at it these days.

Barry Gilmore and his mother, Marian Gilmore, on a jeep tour in a desert canyon near Sedona, Arizona, in February 1991.

In 2014 I finally passed the

150 mark for blood donations. In 2015 Canadian Blood Services will be giving a certificate for that at a special awards ceremony, probably at the end of May.

Editor's Note by Robert C. McBride UE

The Treaty of Paris, signed in Paris by representatives of King George III of Great Britain and representatives of the United States of America on 03 September 1783, ended the American Revolutionary War. Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Treaty_of_Paris_(1783)

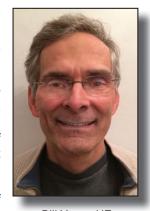
Since the *Loyalists' March* was published in 1883, it seems likely that it was written in celebration of the one-hundred-year anniversary of the end of the American Revolution.

War of 1812 Veteran — *Peter Young* 1784-1846

By Bill Young UE

eter Young, my third-great-grandfather, was born in 1784 in Waterloo Ferry, now Fort Erie, Ontario. His parents were Daniel Young UE and Elizabeth (Windecker UE) Young. Along with his father, Adam Young UE, and his father-in-law, Henry Windecker UE, Daniel served with the Butler's Rangers during the American Revolution.

Peter served over 450 days during the War of 1812, spending most of his time with the Essex 1st Flank Company with one additional muster with the 2nd York Militia Regiment. He was wounded while serving with the 1st Essex at the Battle of Raisin River on 22 January 1813. He mustered out of Burlington Heights with the 1st Essex during



Bill Young UE

the American occupation of the Western District from October 1813 until the end of the war.

His gun, sword and belt were stolen

The occupying American forces frequently pillaged the homes of known militia men. American light troops burned Peter Young's home and stable during May 1814. His gun, sword and belt were stolen during this same raid.

He lived in Malden Township after the war until 1830. He and his family then moved to Seneca Township where he lived until his death in 1846.

Researching Peter's war service, that had been forgotten generations ago, was my way to honour this veteran. I sent my documentation of his service along with a short biography to the volunteer group at the Graveside Project, War of 1812 Veteran. Information on veterans honoured through this program is available online to educate current and future generations regarding the sacrifices that these men made. Their contributions to a young country helped to create the Canada that we know today.

On 05 November 2014, I received a 10 x 6 inch granite Veteran of the War of 1812 graveside marker from the Graveside Project. I have planned a ceremony for 11 July 2015 at Peter's grave in the Caledonia Old Methodist Cemetery in Caledonia, Ontario. The granite marker will be placed by Peter's partially restored headstone that has broken into several pieces and lies in a bed of pea gravel within a wooden frame. Please feel free to attend the ceremony, held in conjunction with the annual YOUNG Reunion at which descendants of Adam Young UE and his wife, Catherine Elizabeth Schremling, gather each year. Adam was Peter Young's grandfather.

You can contact the Young Reunion Chairperson, Betty Yundt UE, at: pyundt at nas.net or via Face Book at: https://www.facebook.com/groups/adamyoungfamily/.

Centuries after his service to his country, Peter Young will be officially recognized through this marker. This marker is an honour that should be placed at every veteran's grave.

For more information go to http://www.1812veterans.ca/en/index.php: "Graveside Project: War of 1812 Veteran."

About the Author

Bill Young UE, who lives in Niagara Falls, Ontario, is a retired elementary school teacher. He became interested in his heritage with the passing of his parents. Bill is a member of the Colonel John Butler Branch of the UELAC. He received his UE designation through his Loyalist ancestor, Daniel Young UE, son of Adam Young UE. He is also a member of the Niagara Peninsula Branch of the Ontario Genealogy Society.

Bill has written articles about Italian genealogy and about his ancestors, Daniel Young UE and Peter Young, and their involvement in the War of 1812.

He is currently researching his relatives and their involvement with the Canadian forces in World War I. He is also seeking photographs of Edmund Young (son of Peter and Hannah {Riselay} Young) and Eleanor (Runchey) Young. He can be contacted at billyoungue"at"gmail.com.

Editor's Note

The Editor is a fourth-great-grandson of Adam Young UE [Johann Adam Jung] and his wife, Catherine Elizabeth Schremling, via their youngest son, Henry Young UE [Hendrick Jung], married to Phoebe Van Every, daughter of McGregory Van Every UE and Maria Jaycocks. My wife, Grietje, and

I have attended almost all the Young Family Reunions that began in 1999. One year we put on a skit about the lives of Adam and Catherine and, another year,

spoke about how to join the UELAC. This July marks the seventeenth year of the Young Family Reunion, being held in Blackheath, Ontario.

—Robert C. (Bob) McBride UE.

Did Pvt. Peter Young meet Pvt. C.J. Tips?

Author, Bill Young UE wrote:
"Peter served over 450
days during the War of
1812 ... with the Essex 1st
Flank Company with one
additional muster with the
2nd York Militia Regiment."
One wonders if he met this
man: Private Cornelius J. Tips
of the 2nd York Militia Regiment
(commanded by Colonel Richard
Beasley). Tips was at Queenston
Heights. Image courtesy of the
Niagara Historical Society & Museum.

The Question of ...

By Jay Moore UE of Waterloo, Ontario

round 2001, I received an heirloom from my uncle, James Henry Moore UE, who decided it was time to pass it on. In the family it was simply known as "the Moore clock."

It is a very tall grandfather clock made by Isaac Schoonmaker in Patterson, New York and, based on research, it is judged to have been made around 1810. Different woods are used in the inlay work. The painted face is worn and some fingerprints are visible on it. Three brass finials sit on the top and there is an oval window on each side of the clock box where one can view the moving parts. A small dial with a second hand is placed high on the face and a small fly is painted on it. I think the drawing of the little insect is a subtle joke that the maker put in his work: "Time flies."

The clock stands 8' 1" to the top of the centre finial. Both the base and hood are 10" deep. The hood is 19.25" wide and the base is 18.25" wide.

The question that has recurred in my mind for years is how did this clock get from New England to the house at Moore's Corners in Charlotteville Township, Upper Canada, many years later?

We begin by asking what do we know about the clock for sure. In about 2006 James Henry Moore UE, my Uncle Jim, sent a letter to me and included an article he wrote outlining his theory about the history of the clock. The later elements of this story are very clear and accepted as correct as far back as 1890 when, as family lore would have it, the clock was in the living room when the wedding of James Albert Moore and Luella Mattice took place. Going back before that period however, the story fades and, aside from one small reference to "a clock" in another source that I'll describe later, nothing else is mentioned. We can only speculate.

These facts cast doubt on Uncle Jim's theory

There are a number of areas of concern. First, in Uncle Jim's article, he refers to Samuel Moore UE, our Loyalist ancestor, the father of James Moore UE, who lived in New Jersey before the American Revolution and he makes an assumption that is likely in error. He writes "... when Samuel [b.1742] ... purchased the grandfather clock from Isaac Schoonmaker in Paterson, New Jersey, ..." In this excerpt, Jim spells the word "Patterson" with one "t." There is a "Paterson" New Jersey not far north of Woodbridge, the home of the Moores for a few generations before the war drove them out. However, on the face of the clock, the word "Patterson" is spelled with two "t"s and looking at a map, we see further north in New York State, near the border with Connecticut, a town by that name.

A quick search on the Internet reveals numerous historical references to Schoonmakers in Patterson, New

York and in present phone listings, we see about a hundred Schoonmakers in the area. These facts cast doubt on Uncle Jim's theory that the clock was made in New Jersey.

Second, Samuel never lived in New Jersey after 1783 as far as we can tell. He lived and owned land in Nova Scotia and later, in Ontario. We know he made at least one trip to New Jersey because he was there in 1811 with his wife when she died. It is possible that he could have purchased the clock at that time and brought it with him when he settled and lived in Norwich Township, Ontario, near his children for his final years but this also seems unlikely.

The third area of concern is the improbability that James Moore would

have inherited his grandfather Samuel's clock. There are two possible but unlikely ways James could have inherited the clock from Samuel: directly or indirectly. First, the possibility of direct inheritance from Samuel to his young grandson is unlikely because if Samuel Moore died in Norwich, Upper Canada, in 1822 with the clock in his possession, it is likely that one of his children, probably a male, would have inherited it. James Moore, his grandson, would have been about nineteen at the time and without his own home so that's unlikely. Also, in Samuel Moore's will, there is no mention of James or a clock.

Enoch was not doing well with finances

Second, an indirect route by which James might have inherited the clock is via his father but this is also unlikely. Samuel, his grandfather, had eight sons and at least three of them were living near him in the London District. His fourth son was Enoch, the father of James, who was living a good distance away in Norfolk County. Enoch was not doing well with finances nor with regard to family relations. At some point he was living under the support of his in-laws, the Smiths, and his mother-in-law made it quite clear she had little use for him. In his father's will of 1822, Enoch's debts and the money he had already received from the estate are mentioned and Samuel states very clearly in a terse tone that nothing else is to be given to him.

After the unsuccessful attempt at rebellion in 1837, Enoch left Canada and moved to Rockford, Illinois, in 1840 and died there in 1841. If he had inherited the clock at the time of his father's death in 1822, he likely would have taken it with him to Rockford, Illinois, when he moved there in 1840 at the age of sixty-one. His wife would have owned it after his death in 1841. One of their other children in the United States



would likely have inherited it after that rather than James. James stayed in Canada, living out his life in Charlotteville Township, Norfolk County. On the other hand, if one supposes Enoch had the clock in 1840 before he moved to the United States, there is the possibility that he may have left it behind with his son, James.

many facts run counter to this line of thinking

The idea that James could have inherited the clock from his grandfather, Samuel, is weak conjecture. There are simply too few clues to support this theory and many facts run counter to this line of thinking.

Here is another possibility: the clock may have been brought to Canada by another family, the Terhunes.

The family of Ann Terhune, James Moore's bride in 1842, was from Pompton Plains, New Jersey. They had come originally from Holland and settled in the American Colonies in the 1600s. In the 1800s, different parts of the family migrated at different times to Canada and six years after her arrival, Ann Terhune married James Moore in 1842 and lived with him in the house he built at the intersection that was later known as Moore's Corners in Charlotteville Township.

James Moore received "a clock" as part of a debt repayment in 1863 from Peter Terhune, Ann's youngest brother. Peter had borrowed money, at least twice, from his brother-in-law, James Moore. In the Moore papers, we see evidence that Peter, having insufficient money to repay his debts, was essentially bankrupt and the sheriff intervened to settle accounts. A list of household articles was sold to James Moore for one dollar. Among the items listed is "a clock." The Terhunes could have purchased it before their migration out of the U.S.A. It could easily have been in Peter's possession in 1863 when it was sold to James Moore in the bankruptcy sale.

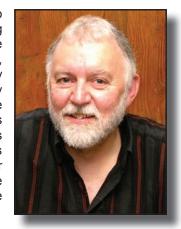
keeping time in the living room of the house at Moore's Corners

This Terhune clock could be what is now known as the Moore clock.

I don't suppose we'll ever know for sure but, given the absence of any historical references to a large, expensive clock among the Moore records prior to James' purchase of "a clock" from his Terhune brother-in-law and the unlikely chances that it could have made its way to James through inheritance from his grandfather, Samuel Moore, I tend toward the theory that it was originally a Terhune family clock. I can imagine Ann Terhune, my second great-grandmother, being pleased to see it remaining in the family after her husband James bought it, standing and keeping time in the living room of the house at Moore's Corners, Charlotteville Township, in Upper Canada.

About the Author: Jay Moore

Jay Moore UE is a retired educator who lives in Waterloo, Ontario, and enjoys exploring family history. He and his brother, Bob Moore UE, build upon the work of their grandfather, James Lorne Moore UE, done in the early sixties and that of their uncle, James Henry Moore UE, who pursued the research until the early 2000s. Discovering their Loyalist roots was very exciting and opened up many doors for further research. Jay Moore UE appreciates the courage of his ancestors who held to their convictions at great personal cost during the American Revolution and is grateful to have the opportunity to tell some of their stories.



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Captain John Ernst Dafoe (IE

By A. Joan Lucas UE, Kawartha Branch Genealogist, UELAC Genealogist's Support, and sixth great-granddaughter of Capt. John Ernst Dafoe UE

John (Johanes) Defoe (Dayfoot, Dafoe) was born of Palatine emigrants in 1726, at Germantown, New York. His native tongue was German, although his ancestry was Swiss. His father, Abraham Deffu, and grandfather, Daniel Thevou, were Swiss who had been vinedressers in the Palatine area in Germany and had immigrated to the Province of New York in 1710. John grew up in Germantown and married Mary Keller in 1749. They settled first near Petersburg, New York, part of the Patent of the Manor of Rensselaerwyck, where John became a millwright and built both a house and grist mill on Dayfoot Creek in about 1753. The house still stands on the original foundation and one can see the mill site, part of the mill dam and mill pond outline on Dayfoot Creek.

He spoke out against revolution and was jailed

When illness broke out in the community, John, on a snowy winter night in 1767, moved his wife and family away, to Pownal,

New York, now in Vermont. There he built another house and another gristmill on Washtub Creek, known now as Tub Creek, but this land was in the disputed New Hampshire Grants and John, supporting the right of the New York Rensselaerwyck land grant, was a British supporter.

John was made a pathmaster at Pownal in 1768 and deer reeve in 1769-70.

He spoke out against revolution and was jailed in Connecticut along with Governor William Franklin, son of Benjamin Franklin. John and William escaped in 1777. John joined General John Burgoyne's army and fought as a Private in the Battle of Bennington, on 16 and 17 August 1777. Tragedy struck the Defoe family when



Author, A. Joan Lucas UE

John's eldest son, George, was wounded and died the day after the battle.

John again escaped, this time going to Quebec

John, sons Abraham and John Jr., were captured and imprisoned. John again escaped, this time going to Quebec where he joined Roger's Rangers of the KRRNY. John was given a warrant to raise a company of men and, returning with a number of men from his former home area, he

was given the rank of Captain. Many of his recruits were relatives including his sons: Conrad, Abraham, Jacob and John Jr., as well as nephews and in-laws. He was assigned to Captain Justus Sherwood's corps where he served as a recruiter and



in the secret service as a spy and courier between St. John's, Quebec, and New York City. John was again captured and put in jail in Albany. Once more he escaped, and continued as a spy and courier. He worked with John Walden Meyers in 1780. John was mentioned in dispatches between Sir John Johnson and General Sir Frederick Haldimand with Johnson referring to John as a "fit and trusty person."

She ... arrived in Quebec under a flag of truce

John's wife, Mary Keller Defoe, sister of Christopher Keller UE, was at that time still in her home near Pownal. She continued to aid Loyalist recruiters and spies with a



John Ernst Dafoe's home in Pownal, New York (now Vermont): http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/mssc/vrm/manor_patent.htm.

"safe house" where they could rest, receive information and food. She was evicted by the Rebels and arrived in Quebec under a flag of truce in 1781 along with her younger children, her sister-in-law, Eve Defoe Katzebach, and assorted relatives including two small granddaughters, the children of her dead son, George.

John continued to recruit and carry messages into 1783 but by then age 57, the rugged and dangerous lifestyle had taken its toll. John fell ill and died in St. John's, Quebec, and was buried there. He died before he could receive a land grant. His wife, Mary, with her adult sons: Abraham, John, Jacob, Michael and Daniel, her married daughter, Mary Dafoe Rikely, and several grandchildren came up river to Cataraqui Township #3, (Fredericksburg Township) where they all received land grants and settled. Another son, Conrad, settled with his regiment in Osnabruck Township.

While John Dafoe was known as Defoe, the family name was anglisized to Dafoe when the family arrived in Fredericksburg. In 1984, Jean Lake UE and Eleanor Moult UE were instrumental in organizing and holding a Dafoe reunion in Kingston, Ontario, 200 years after the Dafoe family arrived in Canada. At the reunion there were 500 descendants who had come from across Canada and the United States. The name continues to be spelled Dafoe but there were also members of George Dafoe's family who spell their name Dayfoot, as it continues to be spelled in Petersburg, New York. There are also a few Defoes, such as Willem Defoe the actor, and some of the family who settled in Michigan State.

Several members of Kawartha Branch are descended from this intrepid Loyalist.

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Lifetimes in Mere Sentences: Black Loyalists in <u>The Book of Negroes</u>

By Stephen Davidson UE, Member of New Brunswick Branch

As fleets of ships evacuated some 30,000 white Loyalists from the port of New York between April and November of 1783, the British government made note of almost 3,000 blacks who were among the Revolution's refugees. The Book of Negroes was compiled to be an official record of the American Revolution's African refugees in the event that they might later be considered stolen Patriot property. In the intervening centuries, this ledger has become a compelling primary source for anyone interested in Loyalist history.

The Book of Negroes recorded the names of both Black Loyalists and slaves as well as brief physical descriptions, their places of origin, and, sometimes, the circumstances that brought them to New York City. These sentence-length descriptions sum up entire lifetimes. Although the entries reflect the racism of the 18th century, if one takes the time to make an imaginative and compassionate reading of The Book of Negroes' entries, one receives fascinating insights into what the Black Loyalists endured. Here are just a handful of the stories to be found.

A free 24 year-old mixed-race woman named Elizabeth Black, who had been born in Madagascar, became the indented servant of a Mrs. Courtland for fifteen years. Miss Black sailed to Parrtown (Saint John, New Brunswick) on the Aurora. Another man, John Vans, was seized by the British Army in Pennsylvania in 1777 and became the property of a Sam Barber. However, eight months before the Aurora sailed, Vans was given his freedom. How he came to have a blind right eye is not recorded.

James Moore had enslaved a 12 year-old girl named Joyce for half her life but she was numbered among the Black Loyalists because her father had died in the King's service. Many a Black Loyalist boarded an evacuation ship clutching a Birch certificate, the official document

that recognized their freedom for having served the British forces for at least one year.

A passenger on the *Spencer* was 27 year-old Isaac Core. He had once been a slave of William Mott of Long Island but, because Mott was a Quaker, he gave Core his freedom. *The Lady's Adventure* carried 21 year-old Dick Jackson who had been a trumpeter with the British forces.

William Hanson of Maryland became a free man after he was taken by a British armed boat in 1782 and then served his liberators.

Thomas Morgan of Connecticut had a lame arm but had somehow managed to escape from his master and earn a Birch certificate. George Roberts was a free-born African but he was "totally ignorant of the place of his birth." Nine year-old Andrew sailed aboard the King George. He was accompanied by Lieutenant Cox who had found the child wandering in the woods of North Carolina.

Caesar Closs had been enslaved in New Jersey until he ran away in 1781. By the time he died in Saint John, New Brunswick, in 1797, Closs had amassed enough of an estate that it had to

be processed in the province's probate records. Another Black Loyalist, Jack Patterson, came to New Brunswick as an indentured servant but later acquired his own farm along the St. John River. Patterson later appeared in the first best-selling book to be written in what is now Canada. Walter Bates, a Connecticut Loyalist and the author of The Mysterious Stranger, wrote how Patterson captured New Brunswick's most wanted criminal in the summer of 1814.

To read more "lifetimes in mere sentences," visit http://blackloyalist.com/cdc/index.htm.

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Nathaniel A. Gaffield

By Roger W. Reid UE

A Brief Biography of Nathaniel Gaffield (alias Amherst Ferrol)

n North America, the French feeling they had prior rights in what is now Eastern Canada (Quebec and part of the Maritimes), created conflicts with British interests in the Thirteen Colonies. In the earliest days, the attraction to North America was the valuable commodity of furs. Conflict leading to the French and Indian Wars, also known as The Seven Years War, began as early as 1690 and ended in 1763 with the Treaty of Paris. This period marked the beginning of a series of raids by the French and Indians throughout New England. Caught up in this conflict was Nathaniel A. Gaffield, born in Bridgman's Fort in 1755, situated on the edge of wilderness and a convenient location to be raided by Indians from Canada.

Howe ... was wounded and left to die ... Garfield drowned ... Grout escaped

There is confusion about the early years of Nathaniel A. Gaffield (alias Amherst Ferrol) as no male baby is mentioned in the Indian raid on 21 June 1755 at Bridgman's Fort. He may have been included with Mrs. Howe's children or his mother, Unis Garfield, may have been

pregnant when captured. Several sources (John Leslie Gaffield obituary and Perkins-Bull papers) state that he was taken and recaptured as a babe or small boy in the raids.

We believe Nathaniel's parents, Benjamin Garfield and Eunice Cooley, were married in 1752. A daughter, also Eunice, is mentioned and may have been born at Bridgman's Fort. The story of the Indian raid, as told by Jeremiah Howe to Reverend Gay, appears in the book, New England Captives Carried To Canada, by Emma Lewis Coleman.

She describes an Indian raid in which the families at Bridgman's Fort were: Caleb Howe, Hilkiah Grout, and Benjamin Garfield. (Note: Nathaniel is always shown as Gaffield, although references to his parents are shown as Garfield).

This account describes how the men were returning from hoeing corn when they were fired upon by twelve Indians. Howe, on horseback with his two little sons, was wounded and left to die. The horse was killed and the children taken captive. Grout and Garfield were farther behind and attempted to escape. Garfield drowned crossing the Connecticut River. Grout escaped and served as a soldier until the end of the war.

Indians seized the defenseless women and children

Within the fort were the three wives and their children. They heard the guns and were alarmed. The Indians had watched the men return before and knew the signal they gave to be admitted. When darkness came,



About the Author Roger W. Reid UE

y career was in the advertising field, with brief jobs in factory work and sales. I began working for Canadian General Electric and as luck would have it, the first opening available was in advertising. Much of my career, twenty-six years, was with Automatic Electric, a telecommunications manufacturing company. It was a competitor to Northern Telecom that supplied Bell and manufactured for BC Tel. In 1979 the company became Microtel and came under the direct control of BC Tel. I was transferred to head office in Vancouver at the beginning of 1986 and enjoyed living across from the EXPO '86 site, where my wife, Muriel, was a regular visitor.

Retirement came in mid-1987 and after trying a couple of businesses, and some work for the CNIB, it was time to return to Ontario to watch the grandchildren grow up.

Roger William Gaffield Reid UE is a fourth cousin, once removed, of Robert Collins McBride UE, through the McBride / Coffee families.

Roger's father, William Daniel Reid, an archivist at the Ontario Archives for many years, was the author of <u>The Loyalists in Ontario: The Sons and Daughters of The American Loyalists of Upper Canada</u>, that has become one of the first sources used by genealogists when tracing their Loyalist ancestors. Each entry provides an overview of the Loyalist and his family.

My father always said to me "Trace your ancestry back to Nathaniel Gaffield and you will see you are a Loyalist." As a young person, I paid little attention, being more interested in next Saturday's dance or how fast I could do my homework so I could play ball. I did pursue the connection after I retired, but my father had died and a good source was gone. With the help of many people I finally made all the connections and received my certificate in 1994. With the help of more people, I traced Nathaniel's ancestry back to Edward Garfield born in 1528 but the story of Nathaniel Gaffield, alias Amherst Ferrel, (several spellings) is the most interesting.

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the Indians gave the signal, the women unbarred the gate and the Indians seized the defenseless women and children.

On page 321/322 of the same book, Eunice Garfield is shown as the widow of Benjamin Jr. of Marlborough and the daughter of Benjamin Cooley. She is paid an advance (1758) from Col. Schuyler's account, but the reason is unspecified. Col. Schuyler was a paroled officer and was active in arranging the ransom and release of captives who had been bought by the French. A daughter, also Eunice, is mentioned but her fate is undetermined. In this account, no mention is made of a Garfield baby, but says Eunice Garfield, the mother, was sold to the French, sent to France, and returned to Boston by way of England. On learning of her husband's death, she married Mr. Pratt, lived at Dana, Massachusetts, and died in 1830, aged 97 years. There is a brief mention of a son in the book, The Cooley Genealogy. It said Eunice's son returned to Dana, Massachusetts, as a grown man, but had become accustomed to the wilds and preferred them to living with his

mother. It said she never saw him again. This could be a reference to going to Canada, which compared to the settled parts of the United States, would be "wild."



An illustration of the Abenakis from the book New England Captives Carried To Canada, which has a reference to a *Benjamin Garfield*.

returned to New York State. Here he found his parents and became known by his real name, Nathaniel Gaffield. Left Saratoga New York about 1796 and removed to Upper Canada, staying a short time in Price (sic), Edward County. In 1797 he settled on Lot 32, Concession 2, Township of Gramahe (sic).

Service in The American Revolution

Amherst O'Ferrel (always shown as Ferrel after arriving in Canada in 1797) appears in the Muster Roll of the Albany County Militia, Thirteenth Regiment. The Albany County Militia was present in limited numbers at the first battle of Saratoga, 19 September 1777, but did not participate in the fighting. However, at the second engagement, on 07 October, the brigade had grown to 3,000 men and their timely arrival on the battlefield turned the tide. The men of the 13th Regiment were on familiar ground as most were from this area, and Sgt. John

Neilson's humble home provided Generals Poor and Arnold with a makeshift field headquarters.

Nathaniel was about eight years old when sold to the French

John Leslie Gaffield's obituary, Nathaniel Gaffield's grandson, said Nathaniel was a babe when he and his mother, Eunice, were captured at Bridgman's Fort, likely a fortified house in present-day Vernon, Vermont. Fort Hinsdale was across the Connecticut River in what is now New Hampshire. John Leslie Gaffield's obituary said Nathaniel was about eight years old when sold to the French and recovered when he was a young man. It is more likely he was much younger, possibly only four years old.

Following the French defeat at the Plains of Abraham in 1759, they retreated to Montreal and the following year surrendered all French interests in North America. A meeting in the fall of 1760, with Indians who had been friendly with the French, included an agreement to return all captives to the British. If Nathaniel Gaffield was among this group he would be only four or five years old. As well, since he was given an alias, we assume he did not know his name. This is another reason to think he was very young.

The Perkins Perkins-Bull papers describe his recapture: NATHANIEL GAFFIELD, Born about 1755. Captured by the Indians during the French War when an infant. Retaken by a man of the name of Ferrel in the expedition under General Sir Jeffery Amherst and received the name of "Amherst Ferrel." At the outbreak of American Revolution, [Nathaniel] enlisted in Van Veghten's Rebel Regiment. Deserted and enlisted in Jessup's Loyal Rangers, serving to the end of the Revolution, when he

John McCrea, whose tragic death became a rallying cry

Jotham Bemis kept his little tavern going as long as possible for he found many customers with great thirsts to quench. The Colonel of the 13th was John McCrea, brother to Jane McCrea, whose tragic death at the hands of Burgoyne's Indians became a rallying cry in following battles. This family had members on both sides of the Revolution, providing a classic example of divided loyalties. Field commander of the 13th was Colonel Cornelius Van Veghten.

Albany County comprised much of what became the upper Hudson Valley in upstate New York, as well as part of Vermont. The 13th Regiment was formed in the Saratoga District, present-day area of Malta, Saratoga Springs and the Saratoga battlefield. The regiments of militia raised for service in the American Revolution were:

- 1st Regt. City of Albany
- 2nd Regt. City of Schenectady
- 3rd Regt. 1st Rensselaerwyck Battalion
- 4th Regt. 2nd Rensselaerwyck Battalion
- 5th Regt. 3rd Rensselaerwyck Battalion
- 6th Regt. 4th Rensselaerwyck Battalion
- 7th Regt. Kinderhook District
- 8th Regt. 1st Claverack Battalion
- 9th Regt. 2nd Claverack Battalion
- 10th Regt. Livingston Manor

- 11th Regt. Coxsackie
- 12th Regt. Half Moon and Ballston Districts
- 13th Regt. Saratoga District
- 14th Regt. Hoosack and Schaghtecooke
- 15th Regt. Schoharie and Duanesburgh Districts
- 16th Regt. Kings District
- Associated Exempts—one company each from 12 different Districts.

The 1782 Company Book of Major Edward Jessup's Corps of Loyal Rangers shows Amherst Ferrel enlisting from December 1781 to January 1783. He signed with an "X," possibly indicating he could not write. Therefore his service with the Thirteenth Regiment was prior to December 1781. Jessup's Loyal Rangers was embodied in 1781 in Lower Canada by Sir Guy Carleton and commanded by Major Edward Jessup. Previous to this it was known as the Queen's Loyal Rangers. After the Revolution part of Jessup's Rangers were settled in Marysburgh and Sophiasburg Townships, in Canada's Bay of Quinte area, about 1784.

In <u>Rolls of the Provincial (Loyalist) Corps</u> by Mary Beacock Fryer and Lt.-Col. William Smy, the book lists several militia rosters by regiment. Page 82, No. 5, Aurist Ferris is more likely Amherst Ferrol. He is shown as 24, 5' 9", born in America and served one year and six months. This is shown under a heading of Privates and Non-Commissioned Officers, Loyal Rangers.

Further evidence comes from the book <u>Loyalist Lists</u>, by E. Keith Fitzgerald, and taken from the Haldimand Papers: Ferril, Amrist – shown as #1694 in part IV, Return of the Loyal Rangers – Company of Pensioners (more commonly called Jessup's Rangers). He is shown as being an Incorporated Man and was a labourer. The Haldimand Papers are on microfilm in the Archives of Ontario. Haldimand sailed for England in November 1784 and it is assumed that these were transcribed before sailing. Also from <u>The Loyalist Centennial 1784-1884</u>, Page 180: Goffield, Nat A., Marysburgh & Sophiasburgh, Soldier Loyal Rangers.

Nathaniel as a Settler in Upper Canada

Nathaniel is shown in the 1790 New York census for Albany County, Saratoga Town, as GOFFIELD, Nath'll, 1 Free White Male upwards of 16, 2 Free White males under 16 and 3 Free White Females. This is the only Goffield or Gaffield listed in the State of New York in 1790. No (Amherst) Ferrol is listed. At this point only five children are shown. An article from the *Colborne Chronicle*, 01 October 1980, shows an 1803 Cramahe census with a male and female over 16 and three males and two females under 16. Presumably Unis, the oldest girl, had married and moved away.

On 07 February 1792, John Graves Simcoe issued a proclamation that, among other things, offered 200 acres of land to each immigrant who could show that he was in a position to cultivate and improve land. The grantee was obliged to clear five acres of land, build a house, and open a road across the front of his land, a quarter of a mile in length.



The Perkins-Bull papers suggest Amherst Ferrel (Nathaniel Gaffield) returned to New York State at the end of the Revolution and returned to Upper Canada about 1796, where he appears at Kingston, Upper Canada, signing as a UE in the Unity of the Empire. The book, Centennial of the Settlement of Upper Canada by the United Empire Loyalists, 1784 - 1884, published by Rose Publishing Company in 1885, shows Nat A Goffield (sic) on page 180 being from Marysburgh and Sophiasburg and being a soldier, Loyal Rangers. He stayed for a short time in Prince Edward County and, in 1797, received 200 acres, Lot 32, Concession 2, in Cramahe Township, Northumberland County, Upper Canada. However he did this as a settler, not applying for land as a Loyalist until 1819.

An early census of Cramahe Township by Augustus Jones, 01 May 1799, shows Nathaniel Gaffield on Lot 32, Concession 2, in Cramahe Township, the western portion of Colborne, Upper Canada. Having met all the conditions, he was granted a patent on 13 May 1803 and, a few years later, sold the land to Mr. Keeler, the father of the Keeler known as the founder of Colborne. Nathaniel Gaffield farmed this property for many years after it was sold. There seems to be a connection between these families that is unknown. Later land transactions seem to support a friendly relationship.

His petition for additional land as a Loyalist on 14 July 1819 was successful and he received an additional 100 acres in Esquesing Township, Gore District, south 1/2 of Lot 17, Concession 10. A patent was issued on 28 November 1832, folio 332, for 100 acres.

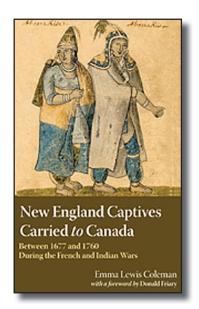
In his 1819 Upper Canada Land Petition for additional land as a Loyalist, it states he has received his 200 acres as a settler. William D. Reid shows Nathaniel A. Gaffield and his family on page 357 of The Loyalists in Ontario, published in 1973 by Hunterdon House, New Jersey. Nathaniel had six children, all of whom were granted lands as sons or daughters of a UE Loyalist. The birth dates of Nathaniel's six children are based on the following guesses.

Nathaniel was in Jessup's Loyal Rangers during 1782 and 1783. He was 21 in 1776 so he may have married prior to joining the Thirteenth Regiment, or waited until leaving Jessup's Corps. The likely range of marriage date would be 1776 – 1783. He may have married in Quebec, since Jessup's Corps was stationed there, or in the Saratoga area. So his family likely started in the late 1770s or early 1780s.

1. Unis, whom we believe to be the oldest. Aland petition was received on 19 January 1805 for her Order-In-Council (OC). The OC is made to her husband, John Mix. A woman had to be married or 21 years of age before she could apply. She could be born as late as 1784.

- 2. Sarah also applied for her OC on 21 January 1805 and was likely the second oldest. She was married to Joel Halstead and we guess her birth as 1786.
- 3. James is guessed as the third child. If he was 21 when he applied for his land grant on 12 July 1809, his birth would be about 1788. John Henry has the same dates for Sarah and James but reverses the order.
- 4. Jonathan is shown as 71 in the 1861 census and 81 in the 1871 census, making his birth about 1790. The 1881 census has him as 94 making his birth about 1787. W.D. Reid's book, Loyalists in Ontario, gives Jonathan's birth as 1787. It's a toss-up and a guess at 1790. He applied for land twice, first on 01 November 1815, and again on 10 December 1815. Possibly there was some problem with his initial application.
- 5. Phoebe is likely Nathaniel's female child in the 1809 and 1810 census, changing from 16 to 17. This would make her birth about 1794. She applied for her land grant in July 1819 and was married to Nathan Hubble.
- 6. Oliver was born in 1800 according to his Castleton gravestone. He applied for his land grant on 10 July 1833.

All applications were successful and each received 200 acres of land.



Nathaniel Gaffield's Petition for Land as a Loyalist

Upper Canada Land Petitions, Archives of Ontario (R.G. 1L3, vol. 206a, G B12/58, 5 pages) PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF CANADA. Series S-1.

To His Excellency, Sir Peregrine Maitland, K.C.B., Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada Major General commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c., &c., &n Council

The Petition of Amherst Ferrol otherwise and now Nathaniel Gaffield, Yeoman. Most Humbly Sheweth,

That your petitioner is a native of the Province of Upper Canada aged about 64 years has a Wife and Four children, and now residing in the Township of Cramahe, that he is the acknowledged and reported son of ______ Gaffield and as such has taken the Oath of Allegiance as pr Certificate annexed that he served as a private in Col'n Jessups Corps by the name of Amherst Ferrol, as will appear by Certificate, and subsequently served in the Northumberland Militia as pr Certificate, by his real name of Nathaniel Gaffield, which difference of Names, the cause will be explained, to Your Excellency, by a further Certificate hereunto attach'd, which he trusts will be satisfactory.

Your petitioner has already been granted his Two hundred Acres of Land in the Township of Cramahe as the Son of a U E Loyalist by his proper name Gaffield and now humbly presumes to Crave his Majesty's gracious Bounty towards him as a reward for his faithful Services.

Your petitioner trusts Your Excellency will be pleased to direct for him, such portion of Land, in such part of the Province, as may be deemed proper for him; for which as in duty bound Your petitioner will ever pray &c., &c.,

Witness J. Squire

The Mark
Nathaniel X Gaffield
of
York Upper Canada

16th June 1819.

ENDORSED G.12 No. 58

The petition of Nathaniel Gaffield (formerly called Amherst Ferrol) for Land as a Private, Royal Rangers 1st American War. Recd from himself 16th June 1819. Referred to Surveyor General to Report by order John Beikie Confi Clk.

Nathaniel Gaffield has been granted the Lot No 32 in the 2nd Concession of Cramahe contg 200 acres, as a settler under the Township Report & orders in Coucil, (sic) 1 Sept. 1797. I find no other location either in the name of Gaffield or Ferrol S.G.O.30 June, 1819 T.Ridout Surv. Genl.

Petitioner privileged for 100 acres to complete his allowance as a soldier in Major Jessup's Corps called Loyal Rangers.

J. Baby, Insp. Gl

Order issued to ye Surveyor Gen'l. 6 Aug't - 19.

Lt. Col. Peters explains the relationship - Nathaniel Gaffield and Amherst Ferrol ...

I do hereby certifie (sic) that I have known the Bearer Nathaniel Gaffield since the year 1778, that he served in the time of the American Revolution in a Provincial Regiment called Loyal Rangers commanded by Major Edward Jessup, by whom he was discharged, by the name of Amherst Ferrol; the reason of his having the Name Ferrol is, in the French War he was taken by the Indians, when an Infant, and retaken under General Sir Giffery Amherst by some person, perhaps Ferrol, by which name he was called until he found his Parents, since which he has always and still does go by the name of Nathaniel Gaffield; and as such I have given my certificate, to his having served as a Private faithfully in the first Regiment of Northumberland Militia, during the late war with the United States of America.

Given under my hand at Cramahe the 2nd June 1819. Jno. Peters, Lt. Col.

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Bay of Quinte

By Peter W. Johnson UE, Branch President

Bay of Quinte Branch hosted the successful Ketcheson Reunion at the UEL Park in Adolphustown last July, and that was covered in the last issue.

Since then we have had three meetings up to reporting time. In September the Branch gathered in Ameliasburgh to hear cooper Pete Bradford who gave a wonderful presentation, largely because he is so enthusiastic about his line of work. It was also the occasion for our annual Loyalist Hall of Honour inductions. We honoured Tom Longboat UE and William Charles Mikel UE.

In November we returned to Belleville where a presentation was made by Brian Tackaberry UE. He is co-author and co-editor of the book, The Lost Generation of Mississippi Mills: WW1 Casualties. The book emphasizes how hard the Great War hit communities in Eastern Ontario. The same month I had the pleasure of placing a War of 1812 Veteran's plaque at the grave of John Johnson at Stockdale. The ceremony was well attended by relatives, history buffs, the Legion and politicians.

Our January meeting in Napanee featured a pot-luck and show 'n' tell. Among the items on display was a souvenir coin of the 1761 Coronation of King George the Third and a sample entry from the War Losses Claims discussed in the 'Historian's Corner' article in this issue.

Don't forget on 23 and 24 May, the Bay of Quinte Branch will be hosting a War of 1812 Weekend at our UEL Park at Adolphustown. There will be the usual re-enactment activities, a re-enactment of the James Fitzgibbon wedding, historical displays and vendors and, on Sunday, the UEL Monument will be re-dedicated. You're invited!

Below: Bonnie & D. Bruce Weaver UE. Bruce is a descendant of Nicholas Barnhart UE. Photo 11 August 2014 by P. Johnson UE.

Below right: Nora Kearney UE [left] and Angela Johnson UE. Nora is a descendant of Elias Holmes UE. Photo 13 September 2014 by P. Johnson UE.



Chilliwack

By Marlene Dance UE, Branch Genealogist

Chilliwack Branch celebrated BC Loyalist Day on 22 July with a ceremony on the steps of City Hall. Mayor Sharon Gaetz then led the parade of attendees to the flag pole and did the honours raising the flag. (See next page.) The company then adjourned for lunch at a local restaurant.

04 August saw a number of branch members join Vancouver Branch for a picnic under "our" Oak tree at Fort Langley on the final day of the annual Brigade Days celebration.

In recognition of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the UELAC, Chilliwack Museum was the sight of the 20 September celebration. The parade of dignitaries was led in by piper Dr. Dan McDermid. Fifty members and guests, aged four months to 94, gathered for the presentation of a plaque honouring the many Chilliwack pioneers of Loyalist descent who made their way westward and settled this area in the 1850s. Special guests included Mayor Sharon Gaetz; Museum Director, Ron Denman; Chief of the Fraser Glen Camp 220 of the Sons of Scotland, Sheila Campbell; with Laurie Throness and Gabrielle Loosdrecht representing the office of MLA. The programme included the presentation of nine UEL certificates to the following members: Marion Claxton for Loyalist, Richard Carman UE; Alice Mansell for Loyalist, John Thornton UE; Pat Huth and Earl Saunders for Loyalist, John Cole UE; Betty Hawryluk for Loyalist, Richard Whittle UE; Fred Reid and Maxine Cox for Loyalist, Jeremiah Lapp UE; Gordon Vance UE accepted on behalf of his grandson, Rio Andrade, for Loyalist, Frederick Shaver UE and Marlene Dance UE for Loyalist, Capt. William Hutchinson UE. A formal tea followed. Our event was covered in the Chilliwack Progress and the on-line community news, The Valley Voice.

In support of Vancouver Branch, we were honoured to attend their 100th anniversary celebration held at Centennial Pavilion, Queen's Park, New Westminster on 05 October. Our delegation included President Shirley Dargatz UE, Judy Scholz UE, Cindy Lyftogt UE, Marlene Dance UE, and April Neave. (See photo next page.)





Above: Mayor raising the flag, with the Mayor at the centre.

Above right: Delegation included from left: Marlene Dance UE; Cindy Lyftogt UE; Judy Scholz UE; April Neave and Shirley Dargatz UE.

Below:

Nov. 11th: Bradbury Keller UE and mother at the wreath-laying.



11 November is always a special day on our calendar. Bradbury Keller UE and mother, April Neave, represented the branch placing our wreath at the Cenotaph. A luncheon for thirty members followed at a local restaurant.

Our final event of the year was our Christmas gathering with special guests "Chilliwack Early Music Consort" led by Dale Warr. We talked of how Christmas may have been celebrated by our ancestors and of our own celebrations. There were five UEL certificates presented to Leon Merchant UE on behalf of his sister, Rolena Krawec; son, Daren; and granddaughters, Emili Rose and Rachel; as well as for himself. The Loyalist ancestors were Samuel Shipman UE, John Elliot UE and Lewis Powell UE. In addition, the following certificates were also announced: Carman May Knowles and Louise Avery for Loyalist, Richard Carman UE; Gary Barr and Corinne Gray for Loyalist, Joseph Merritt UE; and Dorothea Hankin for Loyalist, Jesse Bigelow UE.

Our branch achieved its goal of 100 members and presented 23 certificates. Our thanks go to our Branch Executive who work so hard to keep the Loyalist story in the local news and in the minds of our members.

Colonel Edward Jessup

By Barbara Law UE, Branch President

2014 was an exciting year. First it was the Association's 100th Anniversary, and our Branch started the year off with Dominion President, Bonnie Schepers UE as guest speaker at the annual meeting in April. A few of our members attended the UELAC Conference in Toronto. We attended different fairs etc. in the summer and fall with our UEL display, talking to local people about Loyalist history.

In the fall, we had our charter meeting at the Grenville Snowmobile Club. The guest speaker was Fraser Laschinger who talked to us about the book, 12 Years A Slave. You might wonder what that has to do with Loyalists. For those of you who haven't read the book or seen the movie yet, this is a true story about Solomon Northup, a free-born black man living and working in New York State. Work was scarce so when a couple of white men asked him to help them with some work in Washington City in 1841, he took the job to help feed his wife and children. After they got south the men drugged him and sold him as a slave. When he tried to tell people he was a free man he was beaten. He soon learned that black men didn't have a voice in the south and were not supposed to be educated, so he acted like the other slaves to avoid being beaten or killed. Over the years he did try to escape, but was always caught and returned for another beating from the different masters who owned him.

A Canadian carpenter, named Samuel Bass, happened to get a contract job at the last plantation where Solomon was working. As Solomon was also a very good carpenter, he was told to help Samuel with the job. As they worked and talked, Samuel Bass realized that Solomon was educated and well travelled in Northern New York and Canada along the St. Lawrence River. After many months, Solomon

trusted him with the truth, giving him some names of his friends up north. After a number of months, his friends did go to the plantation and freed him, twelve years after he had been kidnapped.

Of course many things happened in those twelve years so I am not spoiling the book for those who haven't read it and, as usual, the movie is much different than the book. Solomon was talked into writing this book after he was reunited with his family. It was first published in 1853.

What we learned at our meeting was that the house that Samuel Bass lived in was less than a mile south of the snowmobile club where we were meeting, so, on the way home, a number of us drove to the old rundown, abandoned house to see where Samuel had lived back in 1853. It's amazing how much history is at our back door.

Our Branch started off the New Year with the loss of another long-time member, John Gardiner UE, on 07 January 2015. During his funeral service, the family and minister mentioned his love of being a Loyalist descendant many times. Each of his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren has received a certificate.

At the funeral home, we noticed the Loyalist Flag in front of John's urn, displayed on what looked like a quilt rack. There was also a small UE flag on one side of the urn and a brass UE plaque on the other side. Under John's photo was his UE Certificate. Talking to one of his granddaughters, I learned that the family took John's things in and the funeral home staff displayed them this way. If any members would like to see a photo of this please contact us at jessupbranchuel"at"gmail.com.

Rev. David Davidson UE passed away on 13 January 2015. He had been a member and our Branch Chaplain for many years until becoming ill. We will miss both these members very much.



Colonel John Butler (Niagara)

By Paul Preece UE

What's in a number?

To paraphrase Albert Einstein, "A number in and by itself has no significance and only deserves the designation of number by virtue of its being a member of a group of objects with some shared characteristics." From this, we can see that a group of numbers that come together to form a date such as 05 July or 25 July can share some commonalities. As we will see later, they become significant dates in our history; however, this may not be the case for other people.

How many of you remember what you did on 13 December 2014, never mind what you did yesterday? Well, if you take this date and place it in its numeric format, 12/13/14, you will get the last sequential set of numbers for 2014. This number or date will not occur for another one hundred years. People around the world found this to be a lucky day, as it became the day in 2014 that had the most weddings. It will be interesting to see, as time goes on, how significant this day really was.

Colonel John Butler (Niagara) Branch and others at the 2014 Gala.



In 2014, numbers played a significant role in characterizing the shared moments for the Branch as well. The most important of these came on 24 May with the celebration of the UELAC's 100th Anniversary GALA. The event took place at the beautiful, historic Queenston Heights Restaurant, which overlooks the imposing Niagara River and is only one hundred metres from Sir Isaac Brock's Monument. It was well attended by more than seventy-five members and included our UELAC Dominion President, Bonnie Schepers. Many of the members appeared in period attire and were treated to a fantastic reception followed by an amazing meal. Photos for the event can be found on the Branch website: www. coliohnbutleruel.com.

Once the GALA had ended, the Branch then focused its attention on celebrating Loyalist Week with the raising of the flag in Niagara-on-the-Lake. On 14 June, about twenty-five members, many in period attire, assembled at the Memorial Clock Tower to raise the Loyalist flag. The Fort George Fife and Drum Corps provided us with music during the ceremony. After the ceremony, members met to take pictures in front of the Niagara-on-the-Lake Golf Course where the town had planted new gardens with a large sign in the centre commemorating the one hundred years of the UELAC. We then went for lunch at the historic Charles Inn and afterward some members toured the old Niagara Apothecary.



David Ellsworth UE and Shirley Lockhart UE laid a wreath on behalf of Col. John Butler (Niagara) Branch.



As mentioned earlier, 05 July and 25 July played significant roles in how the Branch celebrated 2014. On 05 July, we partnered with the Niagara Parks Commission to help commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the Battle of Chippawa, one of the bloodiest battles during the War of 1812. There were over 800 re-enactors that took part that day to help set the tone for the battle that ensued. During the closing ceremonies.

Gail Woodruff's granddaughter, Madeline Battis UE, and I laid the UELAC wreath to commemorate our part in this historic event. On 25 July, the Lundy's Lane Historical Society held its annual Battle of Lundy's Lane Commemorative Service to honour the 200th anniversary of this occasion. During the ceremony, Shirley Lockhart UE and David Ellsworth UE laid the UELAC wreath on behalf of the Branch.

Along with the historical dates mentioned above, our members celebrated many other events. These events included the Dunnville Heritage Fair, the Battle of Fort Erie, the Burning of St. David's, and the Battle of Cook's Mills. Each one has a place in our history and adds to the importance of our heritage.

All of these occurrences relate to a number that we can relate to due to our ancestors. Our ancestors form a unique group of numbers as well and we come together to celebrate this on a regular basis. In 2014, our Branch had 332 members to help form part of that group. The membership grew by about ten per cent from 2013. If we look at the overall percentages from 2013 to 2014, the Branch grew about seven per cent more than the UELAC average. To me, this is significant, as when you have a large group it is sometimes difficult to increase your percentage due to the size and other variables involved in the make up of the group.

To add to this impressive number, eighty-four certificates were presented by our Branch Genealogist, Rod Craig. Although these certificates only come in the form of a piece of paper, they mean a lot more to the recipients than one can put a number to. These certificates represent a story of an ancestor we now know helped in the formation of our Canadian identity. It is vital for us to continue to research and collect the information from our past so that our children can see the sacrifices our ancestors made for us.

At this time, our executive, made up of Deb Sherk UE, Rod Craig, Ted Huffman UE, Ann Huffman, and myself, would like to thank a group of volunteers that assisted in making 2014 a success. The following members were presented with gifts at our December AGM in

recognition of their efforts over the year: Betty Ellsworth UE, David Ellsworth UE, Jim Lockhart UE, Kelly Vink UE, Maurice Gomme UE, Gail Woodruff UE, Roy Johnston UE, Bev Craig UE, Dale Smout UE, and Catharine Wiley UE.

I know that 2014 is a number from Einstein's statement as it shares the characteristic of being part of a group. However, for most of us it is much more than a number. It was a year that stood out as part of our historical past; one that we can only relate to due to the part that our ancestors played in the formation of this great nation. As we look forward to 2015, we can only hope that we can continue to share our stories with others and to grow in the process.

Edmonton

By Betty Fladager UE and husband, Earle

Our Branch has completed the 2014 Centennial Book Project with the preparation and printing of the book called <u>Loyalist Descendents to Alberta</u>, selling for \$18.00 each, plus shipping and handling. For further information, please e-mail: bmchrysler"at"shaw.ca.

In early June, the Edmonton Branch executive met to discuss ways and means of making meetings more interesting for the membership. The conclusion reached was to hold more social events that seemed to be more popular but still conduct some business. Two such socials were held and were well attended, "Meet, Greet and Eat" was the theme and it did attract our members. At one of those socials, President Len Thornton and Genealogist Dave Rolls UE presented Bob Rogers UE with a UE certificate for his grandson, Isaiah Lunardi UE, whose Loyalist ancestors are Major James Rogers and Captain George Playter.

At another of the social meetings, President Thornton introduced Trevor Fairweather who made a presentation on the subject of branch-generating revenue. It was quite interesting with a question-and-answer format and eventually reached the point where our particular Branch could generate income.

Although it hasn't a direct application to Branch operation, it is interesting to note that Betty and Earle Fladager celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in September 2014 with a family total of fifteen of which eleven have their UE status.

The Branch is alive and well.

Grand River

By Bev Balch UE, Branch President

Such a historic year. We have celebrated the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the UELAC and, in September, we celebrated the 40th anniversary of the formation of the Grand River Branch UELAC at our meeting at the Best Western Brant Park Inn. Mayor Friel of Brantford and MLA and Speaker of the House, Dave LeVac, brought greetings, spoke of their own family histories, and congratulated the Branch in its efforts to keep the history of the Loyalists alive.

Bonnie Schepers, Dominion President, brought greetings, spoke of the involvement of a number of the members of Grand River Branch at the Dominion level over the years, and thanked the Branch for the work it has undertaken to ensure the history of the Loyalists is not forgotten. A certificate recognizing the forty years of commitment to the Association was presented to the Branch President by Bonnie on behalf of the UELAC.

Melba Merritt and Eleanor Chapin, both long-standing members of Grand River Branch, were presented with Honorary Membership Certificates and were thanked for their many years of work with and for the Branch.

Brooke Skelton (below left), Bradley Skelton and Dr. Geoffrey Skelton were presented with their UE Certificates by Dominion President, Bonnie Schepers (below right), and the Branch Genealogist, Cathy Thompson. Brooke was asked to share with the members and guests her journey to discover the history of her Loyalist ancestor, John Chisholm UE, brother of George and son of John, as well as Lovalist ancestor, Joseph Corwin UE. the son of Bartholomew. John Chisholm UE served in an unpaid capacity with the Indian Department for some time and was subsequently awarded a significant amount of land.



Sue Hines introduced the guest speaker, Nathan Tidridge, and shared with those present his work as a teacher and author, as well as the many awards he has been given for his work on the history and civics curriculum. His topic was the First Nations and the Crown and The Great Council at Niagara, which was held in 1764. Nathan shared his research into the First Nations and their relationship with the Crown, giving new insights into the bond between them. That bond is not seen in the same light as the relationship between the First Nations and the various levels of federal and provincial government. Nathan also kindly brought along some of his books, Prince Edward Duke of Kent and Canada's Constitutional Monarchy.

In October, Sandra Campbell, author of Elizabeth's Quest, thanked the Branch for our support of her work and shared that the story was one that combined romance and adventure, building upon historical facts related to the War of 1812. Sandra shared some of her book, taking us back two hundred years, recalling the names and places that were familiar to many in attendance. Elizabeth is currently completing research for a sequel to her first book.

In November, Cathy Thompson, Marilyn Branch, and Sue Hines presented "Tea with Mrs. Simcoe," a re-enactment based on Mrs. Simcoe's diaries.

The Branch applied for and received grants for two projects. The first grant matched the Grand River donation of \$500.00 for the creation of a peace monument on the Six Nations Reserve



Bev Balch UE, President of Grand River Branch, presenting a cheque to Rick Hill, to assist in the completion of the 1812 Peace Monument that recognizes the contribution of the Six Nations people in the War of 1812.

to commemorate the natives who fought in the War of 1812. The second grant enables us to restore, refurbish or replace the Loyalist Cemetery Plaques. Cathy Thompson and Paul Smith have had new plaques made from more durable materials to be more resilient to weathering. As well the bolts that fasten them in place should keep them safe from vandals.

Grand River Branch — Special Project

By Doris Ann Lemon UE, BIS (History)

Loyalists and their Sons and Daughters in the Long Point Settlement

This is a gathering of the names of Loyalists who moved from Niagara or came from the Maritimes in response to the request of Lieutenant-Governor John Graves Simcoe to create a loyal population along Lake Erie. This work-in-progress, which may be added to at any time, records names of the Loyalists, their Sons and Daughters who, either by Orders in Council or purchase, settled in Norfolk County. Two hundred and twenty names with Lot number locations are in the index with daughters' names cross referenced under spouse and father.

This quick reference for future researchers provides resources, with page number, in which these Loyalists appear: Tasker, Owen, Wright, Loyalist Families, Loyalist Lineages, Long Point Settlers, Reid and Other. Other includes: UCLP, The Old U.E. List, Family histories and Cruickshank's History of the Campaigns on the Niagara Frontier in the War of 1812-14.

It is hoped family researchers will complete their ancestors' details: Origin, Son/Daughter of, Occupation, Regiment, Religion, Settled, Spouse, Buried, Issue and War of 1812 involvement.

Compiled by Doris Ann Lemon UE, the binders, with alphabetical tabs recording Loyalists and their Sons and Daughters in the Long Point Settlement, were donated to Grand River Branch, UCLA and to the Loyalist Library in Norfolk Historical Society's Eva Brook Donly Museum, 109 Norfolk Street South, Simcoe, Ontario.

Additions and corrections may be entered in the master copy at: dalemon1783"at"gmail.com.

Heritage

By Robert Wilkins UE, Branch President

The annual Charter Night Dinner of Heritage Branch, scheduled for 22 October 2014, was to have been held at the Black Watch Armoury in Montreal but was cancelled at the last minute by order of the Department of National Defence, as a result of the shooting of Corporal Nathan Cirillo and the attack on Parliament in Ottawa on that same date. It is hoped that the Dinner can be rescheduled for the spring of 2015.

The Dominion President, Bonnie Schepers UE, and her husband, who had come to Montreal to attend the Dinner, dined at another location that evening with the Branch President and his wife, and a UE certificate was presented to her for transmission to her sister in Texas. The Dominion President subsequently decided to take out a full membership in Heritage Branch.

On 23 August, the Branch President and wife, the Immediate Past President and wife, the Branch Librarian and wife and the Branch Genealogist, together with some Branch members, attended the long-awaited rededication of the new Johnson Family Burial Vault on the site of the original vault at Mont Saint-Grégoire (formerly Mount Johnson), Quebec, and the re-interment there, in two handsome urns, of the bone fragments recovered from the original tomb. This was the culmination of a major UELAC Centennial Project that took some sixteen years to come to fruition, thanks largely to the diligence of the leaders of the Sir John Johnson Centennial Branch, their co-operation with the Société de restauration du patrimoine Johnson, and the financial assistance of various groups and individuals, including, in particular, the UELAC. A large crowd attended, including senior officers of the UELAC, some media and representatives of the various organizations responsible for the completion of the project. Eloquent speeches were delivered in both English and French by officials of various participating organizations. Muskets were fired by uniformed members of several Loyalist military re-enactment groups present, and the Heritage Branch Chaplain, Rev. Archdeacon Peter D. Hannen UE, blessed the urns containing the remains of Sir John and his wife and several of their offspring, before the vault doors were officially closed. All present agreed that the event was a resounding success that served to highlight the contribution of Sir John and the Loyalists generally to the history of Quebec and Canada, and to demonstrate the ongoing presence and vitality of the UELAC and its Quebec Branches. A luncheon was held following the ceremony at a nearby sugar shack. The Heritage Branch President and wife dined that evening at the stately Manoir Rouville Campbell in Mont Saint-Hilaire, in the company of the Dominion President, her husband, and the Immediate Past Dominion President and his spouse. Heritage Branch is proud of having supported this project down through the years and of having contributed financially to its realization in the Association's centennial year.

In September, the Heritage Branch Secretary, Ann Jarvis Boa UE, spoke to the Beaurepaire-Beaconsfield Historical Society on Montreal's West Island on her Loyalist ancestor, Stephen Jarvis UE. In October, the Branch Librarian, Gary Aitken, spoke to the same Society on his Upper Canadian and Prince Edward Island Loyalist forbears and their notable descendants. Earlier in 2014, Heritage Branch member, Adrian Willison, had addressed the Society on the Black Loyalists, and the Branch President delivered a talk on Loyalists in general last March. In this way, Heritage Branch has developed strong ties with the BBHS and its President, and helped diffuse the Loyalist story, at a time when that body had selected the Loyalists as its theme for 2014.

In December, the Branch was delighted to receive a major financial donation from the Royal Commonwealth Society (Montreal Branch), as part of the distribution of that body's assets on the occasion of its dissolution. The funds will be put to good use, following consultation with the Branch Executive.

Heritage Branch continues to weed out and renew its library of Loyalist-related books and documents at the Quebec Family History Society library in Pointe-Claire, a project under the capable direction of Branch Librarian, Gary Aitken. Several new titles have been added to the collection in recent months.

The Branch continues to sell copies of The Loyalists of Quebec 1774-1825: A Forgotten History, as well as of its collections of Loyalist-related poetry and essays compiled by Branch member, Adrian Willison, from submissions received from other Branches across Canada.

The UELAC's <u>Centennial Book</u>, released at the Centennial Conference

in Toronto in June 2014, is also available from the Branch.

As in several past years, the Branch sent delegates to the commemoration of the Battle of Plattsburgh, in Plattsburgh, New York, in September. 2014 was the 200th anniversary of the Battle, and the local authorities held a larger and longer celebration than usual. The Immediate Past President, Okill Stuart UE, again spoke at the event and was featured in the Parade, together with an American veteran of World War II. Okill and his wife, as well as Branch President Wilkins and his wife in period costume, sat on the reviewing stand at the Parade and enjoyed several other of the special events that highlighted the commemoration of this historic battle of the War of 1812.

On 01 November, the Branch President and Mrs. Wilkins attended a gala dinner commemorating the centennial of the formation of the Royal Montreal Regiment, at the Regimental Armoury in Westmount, Quebec. The Honorary Colonel of that storied regiment (Canada's first bilingual military unit) was to have been the guest speaker at the Branch's Charter Night Dinner, so unfortunately cancelled as reported above, but it is hoped that he will speak at the rescheduled Dinner in the spring of 2015.

The Branch President served on the UELAC's By-laws Committee, working on the question of improving the rules of the Association governing absentee voting at Annual and Special General Meetings of members. He proposed a by-law amendment that would increase from five to ten the maximum number of proxy votes that may be cast at such gatherings by proxy-holders appointed by absentee members. Several other options were considered by the Committee as well, and a full report on this matter is to

Branch officials continue to attend events of a host of other organizations. associations and societies in the Greater Montreal area and to network extensively with them, as in the past, promoting where possible the Loyalist heritage and the UELAC, and seeking new members.

The usual concern is the difficulty of finding new members and especially persons willing to assume executive responsibility within the Branch. A particularly urgent matter is the need to find a new Branch Genealogist to succeed Mark Gallop UE who has recently moved to New Brunswick. Efforts are being made to locate such a person.

Kawartha

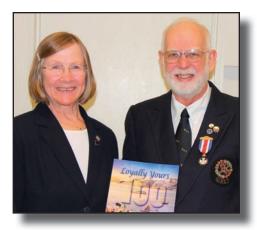
By William Atkinson UE, Branch President, and Robert McBride UE. Branch Newsletter Editor

Members of the Kawartha Branch have been very busy over the summer and fall and I would like to thank all those who helped organize, set up, man and take part in our different events. In July we set up and manned our UEL information booth at the Lindsay Heritage day event.

Several of our members went to the 4th Line Outdoor Theatre as a group where we enjoyed the evening performance of "Dr. Bernardo's Children." Also in July Bob and Grietje McBride and Joan and Frank Lucas helped sort through John Chard's records and ensure that his Loyalist papers will be preserved. In August Bob and Grietje McBride travelled to Mont Saint-Gregoire, Quebec where Bob, as Immediate Past Dominion President, took

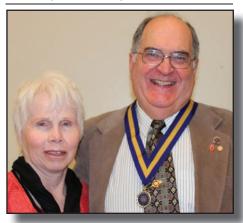
Charter Members, from left; Ken Armstrong.





Grietje McBride UE and Bob McBride UE at the Kawartha Branch annual banquet.

Kawartha Branch President, Bill Atkinson UE, with his wife, Carol Atkinson.



part in the re-consecration of the remains of Sir John Johnson and members of his family. On 29 – 31 August we manned the UEL information booth at the Kinmount Fair and were able to speak to a lot of people about the Loyalists.

At our regular meeting in September we were treated to a very interesting presentation by Jennifer DeBruin about her new book, Shadows in the Tree.



Ken Armstrong receives UEL Honorary Certificate at the banquet.

We had a good turnout for our 35th annual banquet on 18 October and all enjoyed a delicious roast beef supper. Our guest speaker was Ken Armstrong who gave a very interesting presentation about the relevance of Royalty today. The McBrides, Frank and Joan Lucas, my wife and I attended the auction at John Chard's estate and were able to acquire a few things to remind us of him.

fly-over by a RCAF Hercules plane

It was an unusually nice day on 11 November and we had a very great turnout for the Remembrance Day celebration in Peterborough. The whole parade route was lined with lots of people applauding and, at the cenotaph, the park was packed with people. There was a fly-over by a RCAF Hercules plane during the service and Arnold Weirmeir laid the UEL wreath.

At our general meeting in November, Grietje McBride gave a very interesting and informative presentation about Sir John Johnson.

Photos by Keith Borland UE and Robert McBride UE.

Kingston

KINGSTON & DISTRICT BRANCH MAKES LIBRARY COLLECTION AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC

By Nancy Cutway UE, Publicity Chair, Kingston & District Branch

Books are meant to be read.

The Kingston and District Branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada reached an agreement in December to place their collection of about 170 history books on permanent loan at the Central Branch of Kingston-Frontenac Public Library (KFPL).

Our fine collection of general and family Loyalist histories has been built over the past thirty-odd years by purchases and donations under the leadership of long-time Branch Librarian John Chard UE (died 2013). Many Loyalists across Canada will remember John, a former Dominion President and former long-time editor of *The Loyalist Gazette*. John's abiding

passion was for educating all Canadians about the role of the Loyalists in the establishment and growth of this country. He loved showing our library books to our members at meetings: but after his death, we realized that we were not making the best use of our books, since we only meet in the church hall on four

occasions per year where the books were stored.

The books are now included in the KFPL catalogue, with a locator "UELAC." A spine label indicates that they remain property of the Branch. They have been shelved in the Kingston Room, and the library has graciously permitted us to include a shelf sign telling patrons about our Branch and how they may contact us. Now that we are able to share this collection on a non-circulating reference basis with anyone who wishes to use it: genealogists, students, and anyone interested in Canadian history, we may see students producing more Heritage Fair entries on Loyalists. Our own members will have easier access to the books as they prepare their applications for certification, and more people will learn about our Association.

Our next library project will be a new inventory of the numerous binders of family histories and other papers which remain in our cabinets.

We remain without a Branch Librarian, (John Chard's shoes are hard to fill), but thanks to a small team of volunteers, we are successfully carrying out his vision of facilitating Loyalist awareness.

LITTLE FORKS

By Bev Loomis UE, Branch President

This past summer and fall was a busy time for the executive of our Branch as we met several times with the Council of the Municipality of Waterville to have the Loyalist Gilbert Hyatt road signs re-installed after a nine year absence.

Left: Chief Librarian, Patricia Enright, and Peter Milliken UE, President of Kingston & District Branch UELAC. shake hands after signing agreement to place the UEL branch's book collection on permanent loan at KFPL. Photo: Nancy Cutway UE.





An unnecessary struggle but mission accomplished in October, although we had to compromise! We certainly received much coverage in both the French and English news media and most recently we had the highway name highlighted in the Annual Review. In the Stanstead Journal, the local newspaper on the border which covers the Eastern Townships and Vermont, United States, an article appeared entitled: "Happy Day for Local Loyalists 'A new road sign along Route 143 was unveiled on Monday, one that will honour

Gilbert Hyatt, an important Loyalist settler for whom a part of the road had been named in the early1990s'."

The schoolhouse and grounds were rented, for one day, to an Antique Motorcycle Club for an annual social event which brings members from all over Canada and the United States.

In November, we celebrated Remembrance Day. Colin Standish, along with Past President of the Army, Navy & Air Force Association, George Beaulieu, placed the Little Forks wreath.

We held our annual Christmas Dinner, Meeting and Drawing on 07 December. It proved to be very exciting and full of Christmas spirit. Two recipients, Bob Pouliot and Lewis Downey, were presented Certificates for outstanding volunteer services. Stacey Loomis UE, some years ago spent a summer working at the Loyalist Centre in New Brunswick and, at that time, made two Loyalist dolls that she donated as an exhibit to our schoolhouse. She never expected to be attending a meeting with her two little girls, Arissa and Jasmine Landry, and to be seeing them holding her hand-made dolls. (See photo.)

The schoolhouse is now buttoned down for the winter and the renewal of memberships are in full swing along with another year of fund-raising.

We are looking forward to the spring with the possibility of having another interpretation panel erected on our grounds sponsored by Chemins des Cantons/Township Trails and the MRC of Coaticook with a voice box that plays a recorded history of the illustration or historical figure on the panel. It will be bilingual.



Saskatchewan

By Pat Adair, Branch Secretary

19 June 2014 marked the Fourteenth Annual United Empire Loyalist Day in Saskatchewan. Our Branch celebrated the Centenary of the UELAC with the unveiling of the third and final plaque on their Cairn at the Legislative grounds. The third plaque gives the history of the Loyalist Association and the Saskatchewan Branch's involvement. The first two plaques were unveiled during the 2005 Annual Conference hosted in Regina.

During his visit to the Province of Saskatchewan on 17 September 2014, HRH Prince Edward visited Regina where he was presented with a copy of <u>Loyally Yours</u> by the Saskatchewan Branch. The following day he unveiled a monument in Saskatoon to commemorate "the Spirit of Alliance" between the Crown and the First Nations People of North America. The Monument was constructed by the White Cap Dakota First Nation and the City of Saskatoon.



5 generations, L-R: great-grandfather Gerry Adair, father Justin Cowan, grandmother Tina Cowan, Great-grandmother Elizabeth Adair, holds Alianna Jade Cowan.

Below: HRH Prince Edward accepts a copy of <u>Loyally Yours</u> from Pat Adair. Centre: Her Honour Vaughn Schofield, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan.



Saskatchewan Icontinued



Unveiling of the Third Plaque of the Cairn with (from left):
Gerry Adair UE, Prairie Regional Vice-President; Harvey Smith UE,
Saskatchewan Branch President; Laura Ross, MLA for
Regina-Fort Qu'Appelle; and Mike O'Donnell, Regina City Councillor.

Vancouver

By Linda Nygard UE, Branch Genealogist

Our final event of the summer was Brigade Days at Fort Langley. This day is also the Vancouver Branch Annual Picnic. We were joined by Chilliwack Branch members and spread our chairs and blankets under the shade of a large tree just inside the main gate of the fort. It is always a good day where some members choose to explore the fort and watch demonstrations of weaving, candle-wicking and gold panning while others walk to the river to watch the canoes land on the river bank where the founding of Fort Langley is re-enacted.

Our September meeting is always special. This is when we host student presenters, and their families, from the B.C. Heritage Fairs. Vancouver members serve as adjudicators at the Fair and then select those projects that best represent our Loyalist heritage. This year we had four students who amazed and entertained us with their knowledge of Canadian history. Carl Stymiest UE, President Gwen Dumfries UE and Secretary Christine Manzer UE presented the students with various gifts after their presentations.

October was a busy month with the Tri-Stake Seminar in Surrey and the Pacific Regional Fall Fleet Centennial at Queen's Park, New Westminster. We have set up an extensive display at Tri-Stake Seminar for a number of years. This is one of our most popular outreach events.

Toronto

By Martha Hemphill UE, Genealogist and Library

We took the summer months to recoup after hosting the Dominion Centennial Conference here in Toronto. We hope everyone enjoyed themselves. We did!

Our speakers this fall included Jennifer DeBruin who read us excerpts on her loyalist ancestress. This spurred us to have Gail Dzis in November who gave us some pointers on writing our own story and those of our Loyalist ancestors. We hope to get a writing group together this spring to encourage each other's literary skills! It was a pleasure to host our Dominion President, Bonnie Schepers, as well. The silver tea service was polished for the occasion!

Toronto Branch was represented at the Montgomery's Inn Corn Roast and at Heintzman House this fall, two events that we annually take part in.



Above from left: Gwen Dumfries UE, Mary Anne Bethune UE, Audrey Viken UE, Christine Manzer UE and Ariel Kruezkamp UE at Tri-Stake Seminar.

Right: Dr. Peter Moogk UE presents copy of book, <u>Moving Ever Westward</u>, to Dominion President, Bonnie Schepers UE Dominion Branch President, Bonnie Schepers UE, and her husband, Albert, were special guests at the Fall Fleet, hosted by the Vancouver Branch. It was a beautiful, fall day in a very pretty venue. This was also the official launch of the Vancouver Branch 2014 Book Project: Moving Ever Westward. Dr. Peter Moogk UE, who compiled and edited the material for this book, presented a copy to Bonnie Schepers UE.

Loyalist Certificates were presented to Vancouver Branch members. Jeff Syme UE received certificates for Jeremiah French and Jacob Van Dusen. His parents, Glen and Anita Syme, were visiting from their home in Ontario. Anita recently received her UE from the Sir Guy Carleton Branch. Kevin McConnell and his daughter, Audrey, received their certificates for Loyalist, John Manzer. Kevin and Audrey are the son and granddaughter of Vancouver Branch Secretary, Christine Manzer UE. Carl Stymiest UE accepted his certificate for Loyalist, Alexander McDonald Sr. He also accepted a certificate on behalf of his sister, Agnes Peever UE, of New Brunswick. Audrey Viken UE received her certificate for Loyalist, Thomas Harris. Marlene Dance UE, Genealogist of the Chilliwack Branch, announced the nine certificates presented at the Chilliwack Branch gala on September 20th. Of these nine certificates, one was for Marlene's third great grandmother, Agnes Hutchinson.

October was also the month of the Memorial Service for Vancouver Branch member Anne Grierson UE. Anne passed away on 02 October 2014. She was an important member of the Vancouver Branch who helped with phoning and made sure we had coffee at our meetings. Anne always had a smile on her face and her presence is missed by her cousin, Mary Anne Bethune UE, and her many friends at the Vancouver Branch. Rest in peace, Anne.

November members attended Remembrance Day in New Westminster. After the service, Branch President, Gwen Dumfries UE, and Diane Faris UE placed a wreath at the cenotaph. Then we met at a local restaurant for lunch.

Dr. Warren Bell UE and his wife, Arlene, hosted our Christmas luncheon at his lovely home in North Vancouver. This is always an excellent start to the Christmas season with good food and good company.

The recipients of the Phillip E.M. Leith Memorial Award were from the Victoria Branch and the Vancouver Branch. At the Pacific Regional Fall Fleet Centennial, Dominion President, Bonnie Schepers UE, presented the Phillip Leith Award to Maralynn Wilkinson UE of Victoria. At our Christmas Luncheon at the home of Warren Bell UE, Gwen Dumfries UE and Mary Anne Bethune UE presented the Leith award to Dr. Gerry Brown of the Vancouver Branch. Congratulations to both of you.

Victoria Branch

By Karen Borden UE, Archivist/Historian

Our September meeting welcomed Nick Russell, author of <u>Glorious Victorians</u>: <u>150 Years-150 Houses</u>, celebrating Victoria's evolving architecture. He gave a power-point presentation on the restoration of the Ross Bay Villa on Fairfield Road.



Back Row: Peter Moogk UE, Bob Ferguson UE, Shirley Dargatz UE, Mary Ann Bethune UE, Gwen Dumfries UE, Lynda Nygard UE, Maralynn Wilkinson UE, Catherine Fryer UE. Front Row: Rebecca Fraser UE, Audrey Viken UE, Judy Scholz UE, all recipients of the Phillip Leith Award, attending the Fall Fleet.

Photo by April Neave UE.



UELAC Dominion President, Bonnie Schepers UE, presents Maralynn Wilkinson UE [left] with the Phillip E.M. Leith Volunteer Award. Photo: Karen Borden UE.

On 05 October, the Victoria Branch was invited to attend the Vancouver Branch's Fall Fleet in Queen Elizabeth Park in New Westminster. Several of our members travelled there to witness our member, Maralynn Wilkinson UE, receive the Phillip E.M. Leith Memorial Volunteer Award presented by UELAC Dominion President, Bonnie Schepers UE. The award was shared with Dr. Gerry Brown UE of the Vancouver Branch who was away travelling.

Our Loyalist rose garden on the lower causeway has died and has been removed by

the Victoria Harbour Authority. We have been given a new space near the Robert Bateman Centre. Alvin and Joyce Huffman are donating new Loyalist rose plants for the garden. They should be up and blooming by our 2015 UELAC Conference.

Kathleen Lynch UE unveiled a painting she had done of our Loyalist Day picnic in the Mayor's Grove of Beacon Hill Park, showing many of the members who attended.

The annual general meeting was held on 22 November. Dr. Warren Bell UE, of the Vancouver Branch, spoke on Peter Warren Dease, eminent explorer in search of the Northwest Passage and son of Dr. Bell's Loyalist ancestor.

The Alvin Huffman UEL scholarship award for 2014 will go to Alexander Barg, a University of Victoria history student.

Genealogist, Maralynn Wilkinson UE, presented a certificate to Diane Steranka UE for her Loyalist ancestor, William Sheets.

We look forward to welcoming you all to the UELAC Conference "Loyalists Come West" on 28 to 31 May 2015 at the Coast Victoria Harbourside Hotel and Marina, Victoria, British Columbia.

Photos this page are all by Karen Borden UE.

Top: Our branch members at the Vancouver Fall Fleet, from left:

Karen Borden UE, Maralynn Wilkinson UE, Catherine Fryer UE, Betty Compeer UE, Bob Ferguson UE, and Franz Compeer.

Middle: Kathleen Lynch UE and her painting of our Loyalist Day in Beacon Hill Park.

Bottom: Aurelie Stirling, President of the Victoria Branch, thanks Dr. Warren Bell who spoke at our annual meeting on 22 November 2014.







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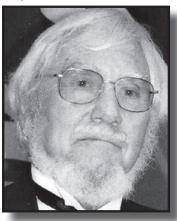
BEDELL, Bruce William UE

By Peter W. Johnson UE

Bruce passed away in Belleville, Ontario, on 01 October 2014, aged 78 years. He was the son of the late Franklin and Vera Bedell, and he is survived by his wife, four children, a sister, and two brothers. A man of many talents, Bruce's interests included acting, writing plays, sculpting, and history, but he is likely best remembered for his activities as a town crier, especially in the Quinte area and London, Ontario. Bruce was active in the Bay of Quinte Branch, spoke on more than one occasion, and served as town crier at many Loyalist Days.

Masonic Hall in Belleville ... was filled with town criers

Bruce had several Loyalist ancestors including the Hawley and Meyers surnames. His funeral was held at the Masonic Hall in Belleville and the room was filled with town criers in costume, all there to pay their respects to a true gentleman



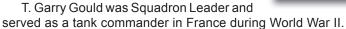
Hastings County Historical Society President, Richard Hughes, said: "His colour, his flair, his humour, his knowledge – he brought all this to all of our events.

"He was a good ambassador," said Mayor Neil Ellis.

—Belleville's *The Intelligencer*, on 07 October 2014.

GOULD, Thomas Garfield "Garry," MC, CD Associate Member of Little Forks Branch

At the Montreal Neurological Institute on 10 January 2015 in his 93rd year. Born in Montreal, Quebec, on 04 June 1922, son of Ora Gertrude Porter and William Pierce Gould. He grew up in Notre-Dame-de-Grace, and lived in Dorval, Quebec. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, five children, and four grandchildren. He was retired from Wajax Industries Limited and was Honorary Colonel of the Sherbrooke Hussars Regiment, the successor regiment to the Sherbrooke Fusiliers Regiment with which he served in WWII. A private funeral service was held with interment at the National Field of Honour in Pointe Claire, Quebec. The family is grateful to Dr. Jeffrey Wiseman and all the staff of the Royal Victoria Hospital and extended health care system for the many years of care that extended his life. Further thanks go to Amine Makhlouf for his dedicated assistance and home care. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Royal Victoria Hospital Foundation at www.royalvic.com or online at www.digniteguebec.com.



On 09 November 2012, René Bruemmer, reporter for the Montreal *Gazette* newspaper, wrote an article about Garry Gould, stating that Garry was a 20-year-old accounting student living on West Hill Avenue in Notre Dame de Grâce, Montreal, when he signed up to serve in the Second World War. "The young man who had never seen the sea boarded the RMS Queen Mary troop ship with 15,000 other soldiers, sailing out of Halifax and zigzagging across the North Atlantic to avoid being torpedoed."

On 07 August 1944, in the Lord Elgin Regiment, he took part in Operations Totalize, part of the movement of one million soldiers meant to drive the German forces back from their stronghold near Normandy, France, moving from Caen east toward Falaise.

I had mounted a third machine gun ... I kept the tank constantly moving so we wouldn't get shot down.

Bruemmer quoted Garry Gould: "General G.G. Simonds came along with a new idea of putting infantry into armoured vehicles called kangaroos and, under the cover of darkness, bordered by tanks and artillery, put a million soldiers forward to assault the enemy position without any possibility of the enemy being able to thwart them. My troop (of four tanks, with five men in each) was chosen to lead. I directed my tank driver to proceed, along with the kangaroos with the infantry inside. We were on target at first light – the target area was located a whole night's march south of the breakout (near





Caen) towards (the city of) Falaise, maybe 15 miles away. Once we got there, the enemy was positioned under trees and bushes. The Fourth Division (of more than 10,000 soldiers) was coming up on foot towards our position. I got the tanks out to keep the enemy's head down and to let the Fourth Division proceed. The gunner and loader-operator was firing one machine gun, the co-driver was firing another and I had mounted a third machine gun on the turret. I kept the tank constantly moving so we wouldn't get shot down. That's when I suddenly found myself on the floor of the turret, because I'd soaked up a bullet, which puts you down pretty quickly. We withdrew to the two other tanks, but managed to protect the Fourth Division."

The doctors operated on Garry Gould and he was sent back into battle within a week, the doctors not being able to remove the bullet that Garry found out about twenty-five years later after he suffered a broken collarbone while bicycling in Montreal.

"Gould also took part in the Battle of the Bulge offensive and was wounded again, this time in a shell attack. One of his crew members was killed trying to save him. Once out of the hospital, Gould was sent to Buckingham Palace to receive the Military Cross medal from King George V on behalf of his unit, for the valour the soldiers had shown."

Gould stated: "You were thrust into a role that was more important and more senior. and with more being depended upon you by people, than you ever had even thought about in your life, and you were trying to do the honourable and correct thing on time and smartly. Not for self-aggrandizement, but just to get the darn job done because that was what was needed.

"It wasn't just the soldiers and seamen and airmen - it was the whole civilian population. They were working four shifts a day to put the ammunition together. In Montreal, they were producing tanks down at the Angus shops, producing anti-aircraft guns. There was an ammunition-stuffing place in the east end. Grandmothers were knitting socks, ladies were becoming nurses in record numbers. Some of them didn't come back. ...

"I see Remembrance Day as an acknowledgement of the gift that 118,000 Canadians have given us.

"We have, and you must know it, probably the best country in the world. The enemies have been taken care of so that future generations could have a life that is unparalleled elsewhere.

"So should they not be recognized and given homage for giving up their lives - 118,000 of them - so that we and the others around us can live life to the fullest?"

HYATT (GAULIN), Mary



Mary Hyatt Gaulin passed away peacefully on 01 January 2015 at the Chemainus Health Care Centre in Chemainus, British Columbia, at the age of 89. Mary was the sixth child of Edith Johnson Hyatt and Charlie Hyatt, born at home in Hyatt's Mills, Quebec, on 21 November 1925.

Mary was the beloved wife of the late Wendell Gaulin and mother of the late Douglas Barter. Mourning her loss are her eight children, her fourteen grandchildren, her five great-grandchildren and two greatgreat-grandchildren. She also leaves to mourn her two sisters-in-law and many nieces and nephews.

As per her wishes, Mary was cremated. Family and friends will gather later in the year to celebrate her life followed by interment at the Bury Anglican Cemetery.

ORSER, Dr. W. Blair UE, MD, CD

1925-2015

Dr. W. Blair Orser, long-time physician and community builder, passed away in Fredericton, on 21 January 2015. He was 89.

Blair, son of Arnold and Edna (Nicholson) Orser, was born in Windsor, New Brunswick, on 16 April 1925. He is survived by his wife of 59 years their four married children and eight grandchildren.

After graduating from the Carleton County Grammar School in 1943, Blair received his B.Sc. (UNB) in 1947, his M.Sc. (University of Western Ontario) in 1949 and an MD (Dalhousie) in 1954. After a short time practising medicine in Saint John, he and his wife moved to Bathurst in 1955 where he practised family medicine until 1971. He became the Medical Officer and later Medical Director at Brunswick Mining and Smelting, retiring in 1988.

Very active in the community and medical fraternity, Blair served as Mayor of Bathurst from 1971 to 1974. His administration

implemented a number of major successful initiatives including a modernization of city governance and initiation of large investments in water and treatment facilities that resulted in putting Bathurst years ahead of its counterparts in that area. He was the first chairman of School District 4, a member of the Canadian Forces Militia, President of the New Brunswick Medical Society (1965) and held a number of posts with St. John Ambulance including the role of Provincial Commissioner from 1984 to 1988.

Other community involvement included a very active role in the UNB Associated Alumni. He was a Knight in the Order of St. John, President of the Bathurst Rotary Club, Past President of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and President of the Fredericton Branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada.

In addition to professional and community participation and achievement, Blair and his wife had many close friends, entertained and travelled widely. They and their children enjoyed all the best that the Bathurst area, and later Fredericton, offered.

Visitation was held at McAdam's Funeral Home, on Friday, 23 January. A service to celebrate his life was held at the J. A. McAdam Memorial Chapel, on Saturday, 24 January 2015.

SMITH, Gwendolyn Marguerite UE

15 August 1921 – 16 September 2014

By Peter W. Johnson UE

Gwen (Meeks) Smith grew up in Bellrock, Ontario, resided for years near Bath, Ontario, and passed away in Winnipeg, Manitoba. She was the daughter of the late Claire Meeks and Mary Rosetta Reppard. She was also predeceased by her husband, Crawford Smith UE, and daughter, Susan Simpson. She was survived by her son, daughter, several grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

Locally, Gwen was President of the Bay of Quinte Branch, which she joined in 1957, in 1974-1976 and again 1980-1981. Nationally she was Dominion President 1984-1986. She had numerous Loyalist ancestors including: Jeptha Hawley UE, Jehiel Hawley UE, Sheldon Hawley UE, James Johnston UE, Philip Switzer UE, Joseph Jenkes UE, Amos Martin UE, and Matthias Rose UE.

One of her proudest moments was being presented to Queen Elizabeth II at the opening of the Loyalist Parkway in 1984. In 2003 Gwen was inducted into Bay of Quinte Branch's Loyalist Hall of Honour.



UELAC Honorary Vice-President, Mrs. Liliane M. Stewart, OC, O.St.J., DLJ



Mrs. Liliane M. Stewart passed away on 03 May 2014 in Montreal, Quebec, at the age of 85.

Wife of the late David M. Stewart and mother of the late Roberta Spengler, she is survived by her four stepchildren, five grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

She was closely associated with the many endeavours of her late husband with whom she established the Macdonald Stewart Foundation in 1973. Her leadership, interest and commitment to culture, Canadian heritage, medicine, education, international co-operation and youth have enabled significant projects to be carried out here and abroad.

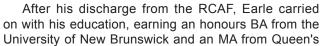
She was an honorary colonel of the Queen's York Rangers, the Compagnie Franche de la Marine and the Old 78th Fraser Highlanders. She was also appointed a lifelong governor of the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association.

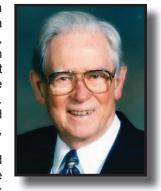
Mrs. Stewart always valued and supported education and many universities have benefited from her stewardship. She has contributed to the construction and renovation of buildings on several Canadian university campuses and paid a special interest to projects in agricultural and environmental sciences.

The variety of these projects demonstrates how Mrs. Stewart's personal qualities have strengthened our cultural, historical, educational and social enterprises. Notable among several awards and decorations, she was made an Officer of the Order of Canada in 2007.

UELAC Honorary Vice-President, Dr. Earle Thomas, MA, PhD.

Dr. Earle Thomas passed away at the Kingston General Hospital on Thursday, 24 January 2013 after a short illness. He was born in Tay Creek, New Brunswick, on 12 July 1916. After graduating from Fredericton High School and the New Brunswick Teachers' College, he spent several years teaching in various parts of the province before joining the RCAF and serving nearly five years. He leaves behind his beloved wife and three much loved children. He is also survived by grandchildren, his sister, and three brothers.





University. He accepted a position with the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal, Quebec, retiring twenty-five years later as a District Superintendent. He returned to university and, in 1979, was awarded a PhD in history, his field of study being a case study of a Loyalist common man in the American Revolution (Benjamin Ingraham) that he rewrote and successfully sold as <u>Greener Pastures: The Loyalist Experience of Benjamin Ingraham</u>. He also authored the books: <u>Sir John Johnson: Loyalist Baronet, The Three Faces of Molly Brant,</u> and wrote about Sir John Johnson for the <u>Dictionary of Canadian Biography.</u> In collaboration with other experts about Loyalist history, he wrote about the Loyalists in the Montreal area in <u>The Loyalists of Quebec, 1774-1783</u>.

Dr. Thomas was an Associate Editor of the UELAC magazine when E. John Chard was its Editor. He was nominated at the June 2005 Annual General Meeting to serve as an Honorary Vice-President of the UELAC, a position that he held until 2013.

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Claiming a Loyalist Through War Losses Claims

any researchers will be familiar with the War Losses Claims, dating as early as 1786, which have been available widely for years as original images and in transcriptions. They have been a gold mine of information for those lucky enough to have had an ancestor who submitted such a claim. To meet with the Board of Commissioners could be a daunting task and many Loyalists who were otherwise qualified to do so didn't have that opportunity. There were exceptions. William Marsh UE, who divided his time between Vermont and the Bay of Quinte, managed to submit Claims by journeying not once but twice to Halifax.

Recently I came across an earlier set of Claims dated to 1784 and somewhat different in character than the later ones. This set was new to me and I know some other researchers who were equally unfamiliar with it. The reference is; Audit Office 12, #143, Claims, American Loyalists. The originals are in London, England.

While the later Claims become a bit of a narrative concerning the Loyalists' experiences, the 1784 batch is limited to giving place of origin and a list of items claimed and value assigned. Occasionally regimental affiliations are listed, but that is not the norm.

There are at least 150 Claims and some submitted such Claims only in 1784, whereas others returned in 1786 and afterwards. For example, Capt. Abraham Maybee UE made his Claim only in 1784 but, of great importance to descendants, recorded that he was from Harrington Precinct, Bergen County, New Jersey. In contrast, widow Elenor Maybee not only submitted a Claim in 1784 but was back twice in later years.

Geographically, the Loyalists in the 1784 batch represent those who settled in the Bay of Quinte area and eastward from there. The regimental affiliations back that up.

Here is a rough summary of the representation of various Regiments, noting that Regiments tend not to have been listed, but I have assigned such affiliations where known:

- (Jessup's) Loyal Rangers 54
- Unassigned 32 (probable Service, but not known. Also includes several women)
- 2nd Battalion KRRNY 29
- Associated Loyalists 24
- 1st Battalion KRRNY 10 (some saw later service in 2nd Battalion so there is repetition)
- (Roger's) King's Rangers 5
- Butler's Rangers 2
- New Jersey Volunteers 2
- McAlpin's Corps & Bateau Service 2
- King's Orange Rangers 1
- Indian Dept. 1
- Royal Highland Emigrants 1

The individuals who served in the King's Orange Rangers and New Jersey Volunteers arrived in the area as part of the Associated Loyalists, so there is some duplication there.

The official who signed the majority of the Claims was Stephen DeLancey UE.

The reference to DeLancey is the perfect segue to an ending on a lighter note. Several years ago I referred to a Canadian Rock Band who went by the name, "United Empire Loyalists."



"Peter Piper" at the Battle of Chippawa, 06 July 2104, Chippawa, Ontario. Photo: Michael Johnson, Unexpected Co.



By Peter W. Johnson UE, UELAC Historian

Recently I found another band that has a Loyalist connection, although it's a stretch. The band was called "The Delancey's" and they released a single, titled *High Voltage*, in the summer of 1962. It was an instrumental of the type usually associated with the car or surf music genre. It is rather obscure, but it was produced by a major U.S. label, ABC Paramount, and likely by Sparton in Canada (if there was a Canadian release).

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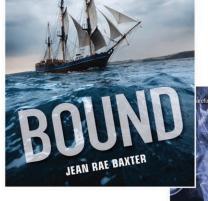
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Shadows in the Tree

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Reviewed by Grietje R. McBride U<u>E, B.Sc.</u>

My research this past summer on the life and times of Sir John Johnson sums up the many flights north to British-held lands in few words: the rebel attacks against their families and farms in 1779 forced the Lovalists to leave their lands and escape north. Our UELAC website describes Sir John Johnson's experience in these words: "About two hundred neighbours, including tenants and retainers and three Iroquois guides, headed through the rugged terrain of the Adirondacks following the Sacandaga and St. Regis Rivers. After ten days they ran out of food and subsisted on berries, wild onions, roots and beech leaves. Reduced to about 170 the destitute group spent 19 grueling days before reaching Montreal." Even these few factual words cannot relate to us the traumatic, emotional toll of the Loyalist experience in meaningful terms. Enter Jennifer DeBruin!

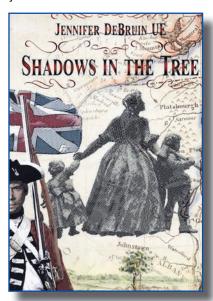
Shadows in the Tree is an inviting and riveting story of DeBruin's ancestor, Maria Catrina Eamer, and her young family as they trek through the Adirondack Mountains to an unknown future. Using the powerful medium of dreams and time shifts, DeBruin most skillfully explores the emotional toll on women and their families as they leave behind all they knew and face a dangerous and unknown future, armed only with faith and hope. Through Maria's first person narrative/diary, DeBruin allows the reader to empathize with the true

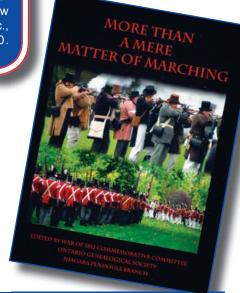
price of Loyalty and the distressing impact of the Revolution on women and their families.

Thorough background research retells the encounters with familiar historical figures - Sir John Johnson, Joseph Brant, General Herkimer and General Schuyler – and the politics leading up to the Battle of Oriskany that resulted in a severe escalation of hostilities. To help students' understanding of historical events, a timeline spanning the period from the first European migrations to America to the 1784 settlements in New Johnstown, is a thoughtful addition which could only be improved with maps showing the route taken by the Eamer family to Montreal and Point St. Claire.

I heartily recommend this book to anyone wanting to examine the human experience of many a Loyalist refugee.

Shadow in the Tree is DeBruin's second novel, following A Walk with Mary written in 2012. More information about the author and her work is available at www. jenniferdebruin.com.





More Than A Mere Matter Of Marching

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Reviewed by Grietje R. McBride UE, B.Sc.

This book is a fine example of the many Bicentennial Projects undertaken by groups and individuals celebrating the anniversary of the War of 1812.

The editors have taken great pains to create some uniformity in the presentation of articles submitted and have included maps, muster rolls, family trees, colour photographs, and more, all designed to record as many family histories as possible around the Niagara Peninsula.

Supported by a detailed appendix and alphabetical index, this book is a valuable resource for readers, from armchair historians to professional genealogists.

While it is great to look up an ancestor in the index and find intriguing information, the editors of this book caution that factual material contained in the family histories has not been verified. Nevertheless, any lead is better than no lead in our constant searches to fill in the gaps in our knowledge of the Loyalist experience.

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John Earl Nelles Nelles	Capt. Henrich Nelles	Grand River	2014-10-14
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Rosalie Janet Root	Lieutenant Jeremiah French	Bay of Quinte	2014-10-20
Gerald Duncan Boyce	William Ketcheson	Bay of Quinte	2014-10-20
Gary Howard Barr	Joseph Merritt	Chilliwack	2014-10-20
Erin Alexandra McConnell	James Humphrey	Nova Scotia	2014-10-27
Judith Anne Marshall Hayman	Daniel Rose	Hamilton	2014-10-27
Judith Anne Marshall Hayman	Jacob Smith Sr.	Hamilton	2014-10-27
Corinne Louise Merritt Gray	Joseph Merritt	Chilliwack	2014-10-27
Denis Lachlin Lloyd	George Henry Loyd	Vancouver	2014-10-27
Brian Denis Lloyd	George Henry Loyd	Vancouver	2014-10-27
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Rolena Jean Krawec	Samuel Shipman	Chilliwack	2014-11-03
Emili-Rose Elaine Merchant	Samuel Shipman	Chilliwack	2014-11-03
Stephanie Huffman Dyck	Rudolph Huffman	Victoria	2014-11-03
Alexandra Huffman	Rudolph Huffman	Victoria	2014-11-03
Kenneth Wilfred Loucks	John George Alguire	Victoria	2014-11-03
Roger John Mills	Jesse Mills	Nova Scotia	2014-11-03
James F. Gould	Christopher German	Toronto	2014-11-17
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Myrna Jeanne Mason	William Cope Sr.	Grand River	2014-11-17
Nancy Marlene Tulloch	McGregory VanEvery	Col. John Butler	2014-11-17
Christie Leah Tulloch	McGregory VanEvery	Col. John Butler	2014-11-17
Lane Judson Rayner	Ebenezer Jones	Hamilton	2014-11-17
Ronald Stanley Barrons	Sarah Kast-McGinness	Hamilton	2014-11-17
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Daren John Merchant	Lewis Powell	Chilliwack	2014-11-17
Rachel Katherine Merchant	Lewis Powell	Chilliwack	2014-11-17
Autumn Joan Lucas	"Old" John Conklin	Kawartha	2014-11-17
Doreen Muriel Lott Thompson	Jacob George Smith	Kawartha	2014-11-17
Joyce Ethel Foster	Jacob George Smith	Kawartha	2014-11-17
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