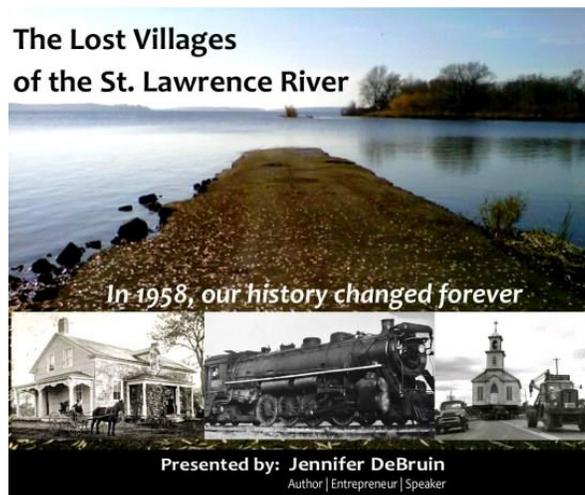


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Spring Social & Annual General Meeting
Best Western Plus Ottawa City Centre
1274 Carling Avenue
28 April, 2018 – 11:30 am

Speaker : Jennifer de Bruin <http://jenniferdebruin.com/>

Presentation : The Lost Villages of the St. Lawrence River



From the shores of the mighty St. Lawrence River, one of Canada's most historic regions – settled by United Empire Loyalists in the 1780's and renowned for its beauty – can now only be brought to life through the memories of its onetime residents. The 'Lost Villages,' once vibrant and bustling, now lie under dark waters. *In 1958, our history changed forever.*

Over the years, Jennifer has been able to translate her experience and passion for education, business and personal excellence practices, historical/genealogical research, and sharing of our rich North American history/story through writing and presentations, into a diverse and rewarding life path. Following the philosophy of, "*Life is journey, not a destination,*" she is always eager to see what challenges, opportunities and surprises, life has in store.

Cash Bar after 11:30 a.m.; Lunch at 12:15; Café 1274

Meal includes:

Garden salad with buns and butter

Entrée, your choice of :

- Roast beef au jus with potatoes and vegetables
- Chicken breast with white wine sauce with potatoes and vegetables
- Poached salmon with dill sauce and rice
- Dessert

The price is \$30 per person. Please specify your choice of entrée. Send your cheque to Bob Adair, 34 Briardale Crescent, Ottawa, ON, K2E 1C2. Phone number is 613-274-3331.

Message from the President

Marg Hall U.E.

Happy New Year! To all my fellow Loyalist enthusiasts. I hope this is the year when you will finally begin to actively pursue your goal of getting that certificate, whether it's your first or twenty first. Believe it or not, our Dominion Genealogist has over 30. You will find Gary Bagley, our Branch Genealogist a tremendous help in your search. We have a new member Wallace Vrooman, who has just received his certificate. Welcome to our Branch Wallace.

Dorothy Meyerhof our Librarian and Archivist, can assist you with finding the right books and research material at the Ottawa Archives. Don't forget to **send your membership dues to Bob Adair our treasurer**, for without membership you aren't eligible for a certificate.

We have a very interesting set of activities planned for the new year so we hope to see or hear from you very soon.

Please consider becoming a member of your Branch executive. Without these dedicated individuals there would be no newsletter and no Branch activities for you to enjoy. Your Branch needs you! If you are interested, please contact any member of the executive.

UPCOMING WORKSHOP! COME ONE COME ALL

Anne Redish UE presents Loyalist Clothing:

March 10, 2018 – City of Ottawa Archives, 100 Tallwood Drive, Rm 118, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Please contact the Sir Guy Carleton Branch if you wish to attend. Our e-mail is [CarletonUEL\(at\)hotmail\(dot\)com](mailto:CarletonUEL(at)hotmail(dot)com). Replace (at) with @, and (dot) with a period ".".

Become immersed in the fiction, facts and feel of clothing of the time of the Loyalists (late 1700s – early 1800s). Using clothing as a gateway, we can learn about the day to day details of their lives.

Clothing can tell us about the people, their heritage, their work, and give us information about their crops and industry. If we choose to do our best to dress as they would have, it may help us to imagine what it would be like as a 'Loyalist immigrant or refugee' to be in their 'shoes', or petticoat, or cap!



Bring or wear your Loyalist attire to contribute to the discussion! If it no longer fits or if you do not intend to use it again, that's OK. Anne will discuss how it might be improved or altered, starting with how she wishes to improve her own.

And bring your camera to take close-up images of the items and resources you will see!

Anne is a United Empire Loyalist of many ancestors initially from the Kingston and Bay of Quinte area. She is the Central East Regional Vice President, the Genealogist and Acting Secretary for the Kingston Branch. Her parents were each the president of the Kawartha Branch at different times. Her study of Loyalist Clothing developed during teaching Theatre Costuming Design and Construction at Queen's University along with being an active Stage Costume Designer and Stage Manager in Eastern Ontario over the past 20 years. Anne also works as a Regional Manager in the field of Seniors In-home Support with Sweatergang Companions.

A second, hands-on Workshop with Anne is planned for the future at which participants will have access to patterns, supplies and instructions to make their own period clothing.

Report on the Central East Regional Meeting held in Kingston, June 20, 2017

By Rosemarie Pleasant

As the Branch Vice-President, I attended my first regional meeting. It was a pleasure to meet and discuss branch issues with several members of other branches. Many are experiencing similar issues within their organizations, an ageing demographic, the challenge of attracting new and younger members. Changing technologies and the need to communicate and remain relevant to people today. Solutions to various problems were discussed, but there is no simple and universal solution. Another topic of discussion was commercial DNA tests. They are not all the same. The ads on TV depict happy outcomes, but depending on the type can easily mislead. Y-DNA text (paternal matches) is the most effective, haplo groups [ethnicity testing] (Family Tree) estimates are problematic and harmful to the database. GEDmatch can be used to upload results and make connections.

Nancy O'Brien of Bayridge Secondary School had some good suggestions on getting students/teachers interested, especially for the mandated volunteer hours. Some speakers had great ideas for outreach, involving using technology more (On beyond Facebook), getting active on social media platforms and being a positive ambassador/outreach spokesperson for UEL. Teaching loyalist history is currently on the curriculum of the Manitoba and Ontario school boards, but may be coming off.

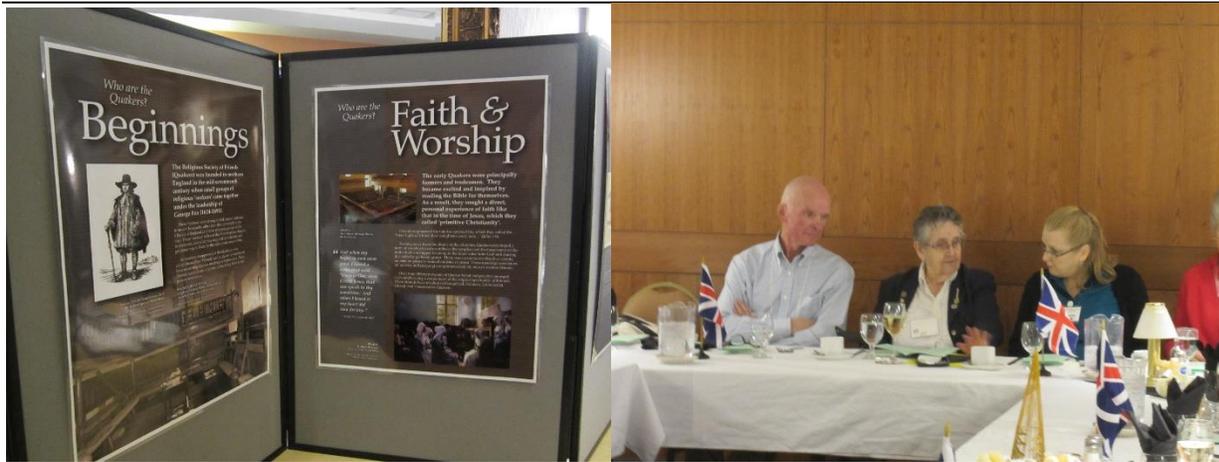
All in all, it was a very good day. Lots of things to consider and to think about. If you have any ideas on how to improve our organization, please do not hesitate to contact any member of your Branch executive.

Report on the Fall Social – November 18, 2017

By Rosemarie Pleasant

The morning of November 18 started with weather warnings. Fortunately most of our members were able to come, except for a couple, including Sylvia Powers who had a longer commute than most. Fortunately she gave Marg her notes to introduce the speaker. The pre-lunch mixing was popular, Canadian weather being a great topic. Anne Reddish (Central East Region Vice President) attended. Also Karen Oulette from the Ottawa Historical Society and 2-3 new members. Colours were presented by Barry Gilmore and Bill Reid, we sang God Save the Queen, and Marg said Grace. Lunch was served, and was well received.

The guest speaker was Randy Saylor and his topic was Loyalists & Quakers. He brought a display of Quaker localities and literature. Mr. Saylor has a background in education, and it showed in the research he did for his talk. Mr. Saylor talked about the common intersections of Quakers and Loyalists, their mistreatment at the hands of the Patriots and their links in Canada. His website (Google his name or access through the following link <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~saylormowbray/>) has a lot of information, including transcriptions of Quaker minute books and other resources.



One of several panels depicting the Quaker faith. Randy Saylor, Marg Hall & Anne Redish

Quakers excelled at record keeping for the time, the women having separate books from those of the men. Quakers, like Loyalists refused to take the oath, faced fines, loss of property and other sanctions. They left the US after the Revolutionary War, often on the same ships as the Loyalists, and settled in some of the same communities, Adolphustown is of particular importance in Loyalist & Quaker history. Some Quakers married out of their community, and were ejected. The Quakers don't meet the legal definition of Loyalists, they were neither Patriots nor Tories. They were just trying to survive those difficult times. Information from their minute books can be used as proof for UEL certificates.



Our speaker Randy Saylor

The end of the social came too soon. Bob Adair thanked the speaker and presented him with a token of appreciation. Marg told all about the new revised website and thanked Dorothy for her dedication in getting it done. She also mentioned potential upcoming activities and that news would be posted on the site. We sang 'O Canada', retired the colours, and adjourned.

Sir Guy Carleton Branch has a new web-site!

By Dorothy Meyerhof

<http://www.uelac.org/SirGuyCarleton/index.php>

Search for your ancestor among the 53,000 names in Carleton's Loyalist Index and more than 2000 names in the Book of Negroes using helpful instructions. Features include "The Ottawa Loyalist" newsletter, current and back issues and a "sneak peak" at plans for UEL 2019 Conference hosted by the Branch. If you recall the article "Loyalists' March" by Barry Gilmore in the Loyalist Gazette (Vol. LIII, No. 1 Spring 2015) now you can hear what it sounds like. Click on the MP3 file under "Resources"/"Loyalists' March". Learn how the Branch supports education into Loyalist and Canadian history, and how you can support this initiative. All 145 Loyalist ancestors who have been proven by Branch members are listed. If your Loyalist ancestor is here and you have a story about them to share, please send it to us by e-mail (CarletonUEL@hotmail.com) or regular mail (Sir Guy Carleton Branch, P.O. Box 5104, 19 Colonnade Rd., Nepean, ON K2C 3H5, Canada) and we will post a link from the name of your ancestor to the article. Many thanks to Corcoran Conn-Grant, our new web-master!

Missing Branch Newsletters

The Sir Guy Carleton Library has most issues of the Branch Newsletter, "The Ottawa Loyalist", from Spring 1983 to the present time. There are some issues missing, however. We would really appreciate assistance to complete the collection.

The missing issues are:

1. All of the years 1991, 1992 and 1993,
2. All of the years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004, and
3. The first two issues of 2008.

If anyone has copies of any of the missing issues listed above we would appreciate a donation or the opportunity to make copies of them.

Thank you, Dorothy Meyerhof, Librarian.

Loyalist Articles in "The Ontario Register"

Dorothy Meyerhof - January 2018

"The Ontario Register" (TOR) was published in eight volumes by Thomas B. Wilson, Lambertville, NJ. There were four issues per year for four years from 1968 until 1971. Publication was suspended until 1981. Four issues per year were published in 1981, 1982 and again in 1984. Publication was again suspended from 1985-1989. The eighth and final volume

was published as a single issue in 1990. The four issue volumes were later reprinted as single issues for each year. Full indexes of people and places were published for each volume in the last issue of the year or at the back of the single issues. Thomas Wilson himself was the author of many of the articles in the TOR.

In the Sir Guy Carleton Library the TOR has been treated as a Periodical, located on the shelves between "Ontario History" and "The Ottawa Loyalist". Our complete set was made possible by a donation by Ed Kipp.

TOR is a treasure-trove of indexes for births, marriages and deaths from newspapers and church records, along with miscellaneous indexes for land records, etc. Most of the information was taken from microfilms held by the Ontario Archives. Many of these early records could be of interest to those researching their Loyalist ancestors, however, among the various articles are several relating directly to Loyalists.

"Census of Niagara, 1783", Thomas B. Wilson, Vol. 1, (1968), No. 4, pp. 197-214.

[This was copied by Hamilton Branch, UELAC and reprinted in 1975. This edition is also in the Library under 973.34713338 HAM.]

"Notes on some Loyalists of Sussex County, New Jersey", Thomas B. Wilson, Vol. 2 (1969), pp. 31-47.

[Contains names not found in "Loyalists of New Jersey: Their Memorials, Petitions and Claims", E. Alfred Jones, 325.20744 JON.]

"Loyalists of Bergen County, New Jersey", Howard I. Durie, Vol. 3 (1970), pp. 236-240.

[Also contains names not found in "Loyalists of New Jersey: Their Memorials, Petitions and Claims", E. Alfred Jones, 325.20744 JON.]

"Military, Loyalist and Other Land Grants in the Western District, 1836", John Clarke, Vol. 4, No. 3, pp. 129-145.

Loyalist ancestors

A selection of proven Loyalist ancestors represented by current and past members within Sir Guy Carleton Branch. Names are published in no particular order.

William Bell Sr.; James Blakely; Robert Campbell; Peter Clements; Peter Ferguson, Peter Finney; John Hainer; John Hickey Sr.; Daniel Livingston; Duncan Murchison; Christopher Pearson; Hans Jacob Rombough; John Ross; Benjamin Skinner; Samuel Tilley

Interesting websites / resources

An annotated bibliography of Canadian costumes

<https://journals.lib.unb.ca/index.php/MCR/article/view/17203/22795>

Wikipedia

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_Empire_Loyalist

<http://www.nyhistory.net/drums/kingsmen.htm>

A partial listing of Loyalist military units with links.

<https://www.palam.org/>

Palatines to America National German Genealogy Society Researching German Speaking Ancestors

<http://help.onland.ca/en/home/>

Ontario Land Registry Access – virtual Land Registry Office where you can currently search historical books, but, in future will be able to search writs, documents and property title records

Upcoming Events

Conference 2018 : Jun 7-10, 2018, “Loyalist Ties Under Living Skies”, at the Temple Gardens Hotel and Spa, Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, hosted by Saskatchewan Branch <http://uelac.org/conference-2018/Saskatchewan-Conference-2018.php>

Palatines to America German Genealogy Society National Conference, June 13-16, 2018, Buffalo, N.Y. featuring John Colletta, Baerbel Johnson & others. <https://www.palam.org/>

Conference 2019 : May 30-Jun 2, 2019, “The Capital Calls”, hosted by Sir Guy Carleton Branch <http://www.uelac.org/SirGuyCarleton/index.php>

Editor’s Note

Please consider receiving the newsletter electronically rather than a paper copy. If you would like to change your mailing preferences, please contact the Membership Chair, Gary Bagley at

gary-bagley@sympatico.ca

Newsletter submissions gratefully accepted. Do you have interesting articles about your Loyalist ancestor? Have you read a new work on the Loyalists and would like to submit a review? Please feel free to send me any suggestions that you might have at keziah1@rogers.com



Group of U.E. Loyalists at Thorold, Ont 1914. 101st anniversary of Battle of Beaver Dam. First Welland Canal in the background.

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