



# The Pacific Loyalist

The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada  
Vancouver Branch

Fall  
2013

## November 2013 Newsletter Outreach and Education

Prince George of Cambridge  
George Alexander Louis  
b. 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2013  
One day after our 2<sup>nd</sup> BC Loyalist Day celebration



**2nd B.C. Loyalist Day**  
Queen's Park, New Westminster  
21 July 2013



\*More pictures on Page 7

## SPRING FLEET, CHILLIWACK



May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2013

Chilliwack hosted Spring Fleet at the Aboriginal Gathering Place. The event was organized by Shirley Dargatz UE and Marlene Dance UE. It was a beautiful day in lovely setting. Members from all four BC branches attended. Special guests were Dominion President Bob McBride and his wife, Grietje McBride UE. They entertained those present with a skit about Bob's Loyalist ancestor, Adam Young. Bob also presented certificates to a number of BC members.

\*Pictures and story continued on Page 5

## Past Presidents

UELAC Vancouver Branch

Carl Stymiest UE	2011, 2012
Dr. Warren Bell UE	2010
Ms Wendy Cosby UE	2008, 2009
Mr. John Anderson UE	2006, 2007
Ms Mary Anne Bethune UE	2004, 2005
Mr. Douglas Jackson UE	2002, 2003
Mrs. Vona Smith UE	2000, 2001
Dr. Gerry Brown UE	1998, 1999
Mr. Richard Mackey UE	1995, 1996, 1997
Mrs. Rebecca Fraser UE	1992, 1993, 1994
Mr. John Graham UE	1991
Mrs. Audrey P. Shane UE	1989, 1990
Dr. Peter Moogk UE	1986, 1987, 1988
Mrs. Doreen Todhunter UE CMH	1984, 1985

**MEETINGS** third Tuesday of each month – March to October

Bonsor Rec Centre, Metrotown, Burnaby at 7:30 pm

November, January & February – Meetings 1:30 pm Saturdays, Bonsor Rec Center

*AGM & January Meeting  
January 15<sup>th</sup> 2013*

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Our AGM 2013 saw the installation of Gwen Dumfries UE as President of the Vancouver Branch. She took over the position from the



very able hands of Past President, Carl Stymiest UE.



Linda Watson UE is now our Membership Chair.

Anne Grierson was thanked for her many years on the Phone Committee. Our new Phone Committee consists of members Judy Czinege, Christine Manzer UE, Mavis Manzer Pickett UE and Audrey Viken UE.

Our regular January meeting followed the AGM and then members watched our annual Year in Review slideshow.



*Last Post*

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The Vancouver Branch has lost a number of valued and loved members and family over the past year. They will not be forgotten.

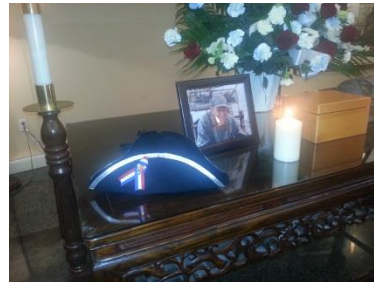
**Joyce Margaret Tiplady UE** (center below)

23 November 1930 – 15 January 2013



**Duncan Cameron UE**

19 April 1927 - 20 January 2013



**Dr. Paul Melvin Viken** (husband of Audrey Viken UE)

21 March 1931 – 14 March 2013



**John Chrysler Martin Sr.** (right below)

3 April 1935 - 24 July 2013



## Vancouver Branch Meetings

By Linda Nygard UE

Pictures by Linda Nygard UE

### AGM & Year in Review

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### Black History Month with

February 19<sup>th</sup> 2013



**Wayde Compton** spoke to the Vancouver branch members about Black History in British Columbia from the time of James Douglas to the present. A very interesting and informative presentation by Wayde.

It was also a time for belated birthday wishes for member Mavis Pickett UE.

### Warren Bell UE talks about his ancestor, Peter Warren Dease – Explorer & Fur Trader

April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013



Warren gave a detailed presentation about the early explorations of Peter Warren Dease who was placed in charge of Sir John Franklin's 2<sup>nd</sup> expedition to the Arctic. Through maps and diagrams, we could follow Peter's trail through some of the coldest and most difficult areas of the north. A very well researched and interesting presentation Warren.

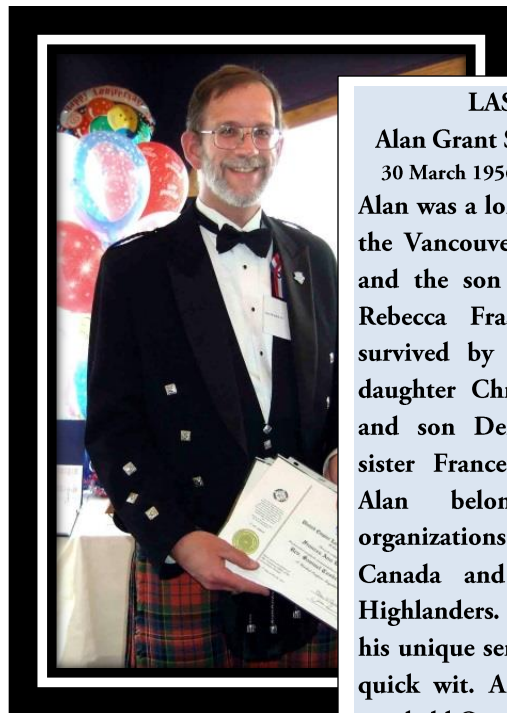
## Vancouver Branch Member's and their Loyalist Stories

June 18<sup>th</sup> 2013



Clockwise from Top Left:

Diane Faris UE; Gwen Dumfries UE; Donna Little UE; Janet White UE; Cousins Mavis Pickett UE & Christine Manzer UE; Linda Watson UE;



### LAST POST

**Alan Grant Simons Fraser UE**  
30 March 1956-26 September 2013  
Alan was a long time member of the Vancouver Branch, UELAC and the son of Past President Rebecca Fraser UE. Alan is survived by his wife Barbara, daughter Christi Coles (Jason) and son Derrick Fraser. Also sister Frances Loewen (Aron). Alan belonged to many organizations including Scouts Canada and the 78<sup>th</sup> Fraser Highlanders. He was known for his unique sense of humour and quick wit. A Memorial Service was held October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

**St. Patrick's Day Parade  
Vancouver, B.C.**

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March 17<sup>TH</sup> 2013

*\*Province Newspaper online pictures*



*\* Pictures below by Judith Ueland*



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**Multicultural Festival  
Simon Fraser Birthday**

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**New Westminister  
May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

*\*Pictures by Linda Nygard UE*

A beautiful day at the edge of the Fraser River with a multitude of costumes, foods, music and dance. We have set up our display at this event for over 10 years and there are always many curious people who visit our display.



*Spring Fleet, Chilliwack*

*May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2013*

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**Dominion President Bob McBride and wife Gretje  
Certificate Presentations for the Vancouver Branch**

1. Bob Proctor with sons Michael and David, cousins of Bob McBride (above)
2. Christine Manzer with Carl Stymiest UE & Bob McBride UE (top right)
3. Mavis Pickett with Carl Stymiest UE & Bob McBride UE
4. Brody Wilkinson, infant grandson of Janet White UE receives his certificate
5. Julie Stephenson and son Andrew accept certificates for Julie, her mother Marian Stephenson, and father Carl Stephenson



## MEMBERS' STORIES

**C**HRISTINE MANZER UE  
The Source (newspaper for Metro Vancouver)  
*Forum of diversity since 1999*



Christine Manzer's story is one of such connections.

"[Last year] my cousin and I approached the United Empire Loyalists Association of Canada [UELAC] booth attracted by [the volunteers'] colourful period clothing," she says. She was excited to find that her last name was on the list of proven Loyalists' names, says Manzer who is a support librarian at SFU.

The first Loyalists were European colonists who migrated from the U.S., to what is today Canada, after the American Revolution. The UELAC preserves and promotes the Loyalists' era and their role in the history of Canada.

"It's great. It's given me a focus and a project for when I retire next year," says Manzer who expects to receive her official descendant certification this month.

**B**OB PROCTOR UE  
To Dunzweiler, Germany to explore the roots of Bob's Loyalist ancestor, Adam Young (aka Jung)  
**\*Below are excerpts from Bob's journal. He travelled with his wife Ellen.**

The first right turned out to be remarkably like a goat trail but our GPS actually told us to turn right at that spot so off we went. There were two ruts in the road but I bet my rental car was the first vehicle other than tractor to travel up that road in quite a while, if ever. Ellen was dubious but off we went up the goat trail. The going got very tight, the ruts got deeper, the ground got softer and finally when we started to bottom out I thought the better of this and backed out to the road again, much to Ellen's relief. What to do? I had spent a lot of time on Google looking at Dunzweiler so I knew there was another way in from the south. The area is very hilly, not mountains just lots and lots of tight rolling hills. Around we went, driving counter clockwise to where I imagined there would be another access to Dunzweiler.



In conclusion...

Despite the fact that we did not make personal contact with anyone from Dunzweiler I am comfortable that I made a reasonable effort to do so. The trip into Dunzweiler was very worthwhile. Walking the same ground that our ancestors worked

and walked was a thrill and I am very happy to have made the trip. The natural stone used in the buildings was pink in colour so I picked up some small pink rocks to bring home.

## Vancouver Branch 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Loyalist Day

Queen's Park, New Westminster

July 21<sup>st</sup> 2013

VANCOUVER BRANCH UELAC  
*Cordially Invites You and Your Family to Our*

# SECOND "BC LOYALIST DAY" PICNIC

21 JULY 2013

Queen's Park  
New Westminster BC  
<http://goo.gl/maps/hUo6>

Sunday 21 July, 2013  
11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Please R.S.V.P. by July 15 to  
Carl Stymiest UE  
cstymiest@gmail.com

Queen's Park, New  
Westminster, BC  
1st St & 4 Ave  
ENTER here and look for  
UEL FLAGS

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### Certificate Presentations

John Martin UE Jr. & John Martin UE Sr.  
For Loyalist Philip Crysler  
(l & r)

Audrey Viken UE  
For Loyalist George Boulton

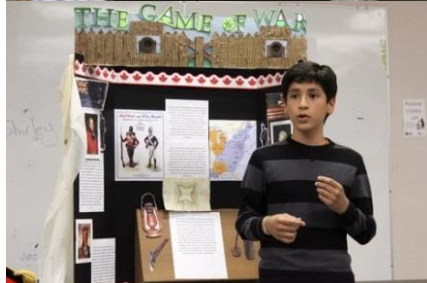
Pat McKenzie  
For Loyalist Gabriel Fowler

*B.C. Heritage Fairs  
May 2013*

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**B.C. Heritage Fairs** are open to elementary age students throughout the province via Regional Fairs. Those selected eventually will compete in the finals. Projects must be free standing and be based on a Canadian theme with preference given to projects based on local or family history.

Some members of the Vancouver Branch UELAC have served as adjudicators for the past few years. Each year we make our own selection of projects that have a Loyalist connection. Below are pictures of the four students whose projects were selected as best representing our Loyalist history. The boys and their families attended our September meeting. All four presentations were quite remarkable.



*Brigade Days at Fort Langley  
August 4<sup>th</sup> 2013*

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A hot, sunny day in the old fort along the Fraser River. Members of the Vancouver and Chilliwack branches gathered for our annual picnic and to watch the re-enactment of the beginning of the fort.





## 2013 Vancouver Branch Executive, UELAC

President	Gwen Dumfries UE
Vice President	Leslie Hammond
Treasurer	Judith Ueland
Secretary	Diane Faris UE
Past President	Carl Stymiest UE
Genealogist	Linda Nygard UE
Membership	Linda Watson UE

### DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

#### Christmas Social

8 December 2013; 1:30-4:00 p.m.

- **The Drakes' Home, 1610 London St., New Westminster**
- **Potluck** – Bring finger foods (Sweet or Savoury)
- **Lucky Draws** - bring your loonies and toonies  
Donated prizes gladly accepted; mark for "male" or "female"
- **Membership Renewal** - Linda Watson, Membership Chair, will be present  
Members who renew before January 1<sup>st</sup> will be entered in a draw for a free 2015 membership

#### AGM & January Meeting

11 January 2014; 1:30-3:30 p.m. (Saturday)

Multipurpose Room #2, Bonsor Rec Center

- *Year in Review slide show*

#### February Meeting

8 February 2014; 1:30-3:30 p.m. (Saturday)

- **Black History Month**  
*Speaker TBA*

#### March 2014 – NO MEETING

- Join members of the Vancouver Branch in the St. Patrick's Day Parade  
Followed by lunch - Vancouver  
*Time and date TBA*

#### April Meeting

8 April 2014; 7:30-9:30 p.m. (Tuesday)

Bonsor Rec Center, Burnaby

#### May Meeting

20 May 2014; 7:30-9:30 p.m. (Tuesday)

Bonsor Rec Center, Burnaby

#### June Meeting

17 June 2014; 7:30-9:30 p.m. (Tuesday)

Bonsor Rec Center, Burnaby

#### B.C. 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual B.C. Loyalist Day celebration

20 July 2014

Queen's Park, New Westminster

### NEWSLETTER

Mary Anne Bethune UE; Linda Nygard UE;

***If you have any suggestions, or items to submit to our newsletter, please contact us.***

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